## How To Properly Pray Powerfully (According to Gods Law)

If you were to stand at a locked door for days and days on end with the wrong key the door still would not open. The time you stand at that door does not change the fact that it is the wrong key. You need to get the right key. In the same way it does not not matter how long you pray if you are not praying correctly or according to Gods law. When the disciples fished all night and caught nothing. They realized what they were doing was not working. Maybe many of you are praying and for some reason it does not seem like it is working. Prayer does not come automatically, according to the bible it must be taught and learned. If you must be taught something that means you do not yet know it. In Luke 11 the disciples asked Jesus to show them or teach them how to pray. It is important to know that prayer according to the word of God is referred to as a petition before or to God. Petitioning is a legal process. For you to have success in prayer, like a lawyer you must learn procedure of petitioning. When the disciples asked Jesus to teach them how to pray, they were asking Jesus to teach them the procedure that makes prayer successful and effective. Jesus responded to them saying that he would teach them. He was telling the disciple's that there is a template. Many believers have confused this template that was given to us in Luke 11 for the actual prayer you should pray and that is false. This is the Lord's template for YOU to pray. The disciples did not say to Jesus "pray for us," They said "Teach us how." Many people call this the Lord's prayer, I would like to correct this and say it is the Lord's template to prayer, or in other words his structure for effective prayer/petitioning to father God.

## **Key Points**

- **Prayer** is referred to as **petition** in bible
- Petition is a legal word
- Petition A legal appeal or demand on a government based on a constitutional right protected by law

A petition can only be made by people who are in good standing with the government. If you have no relationship with the government, you cannot, make a demand. When someone commits a crime and goes to jail there are certain items that are taken from that person's possession one of which being there passport.

Why? Because their privilege is taken away. Do you know the power of your passport? Having a passport means you are a legitimate citizen. A petition means that you can make a demand as a citizen based on guaranteed rights. A petition is the act of reminding a government what is constitutional promised to its citizens. Its reminding a governing authority what is constitutionally promised to its **citizens.** There are many Christians who do not truly understand the power they have as citizens of heaven. The constitution protects your right to petition the government. If a Politician makes a constitutional promise, it can be petitioned and demanded to be done and if its not done the law can be turned on them resulting in that governing authority being put in prison. The constitution is very important, it gives you the right to make a demand. Did you know that the Bible is your constitution? In the natural a constitution is more powerful than a government. In Psalms 138:2 it says the Lord has placed his word above his name. In Hebrew the word name translates to being. So, in other words the Lord has placed his word above his being (his self). This means that God will never break or contradict his word, he is one hundred percent faithful to his word always! Matthew 24:35 states "heaven and earth will pass away, but my Words will by no means pass away." Do you know why it is so important to know Gods word? Because when you know his Word, you can put pressure on him. Knowledge is the key to prayer and petition. If you do not know your rights as a citizen you cannot petition. If you do not know your constitutional promises (In the Bible) you cannot put a demand on it. Ignorance is your greatest enemy. Hosea 4:6 "says "My people are destroyed for a lack of knowledge." You need to know what is yours by right as a citizen of heaven. You need to read your heavenly constitution (The Bible). When you read your bible, you need to be looking for the Promise! The next time you read your bible look for the promise, the privilege, or the right. You are a powerful citizen when you know your rights. In Luke 11 when the disciples asked Jesus to teach them how to pray what was Jesus response to them? Jesus responded by saying "This then is **how** you should pray." Notice Jesus did not say pray this but he said this then is **how.** The first part of this template prayer in Luke 11 says "'Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven" The word "our" is inclusive... When you come to God in prayer and petition it should be inclusive and not just for yourself. When you come to God do not be selfish, if your

prayer is only for "I" (You) the template is already Broken from the beginning. Do not just pray for God to just heal you, deliver you, provide for you, give you favor, but bring everybody. Maybe your prayers are being hindered because you are breaking the template to begin with. When your prayer for provision includes everyone, you get yours.

OUR – unselfish

FATHER – ABBA – Governing source, ultimate sustainer, full supplier When you come before God (Abba,Father) you are coming before the source of what your about to demand.

1 John 5: 14-15 says "Now this is the confidence that we have in him, that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us, and if we know that he hears us, whatever we ask, we know we have the **petitions** that we have asked of Him."

According to his word if he hears you that means that you automatically have. Now many people read this verse and wonder "what is his will" or "how do I know what his will is?" God put his will in his constitution (His Word). He put his will into writing now you have to go back and remind him of what his will is. His will is his word! You do not need to invent prayers. One of the best ways to pray is praying his word back to him. Begin to pray according to Gods word which is his will! Find some promises in the word of God and say lord I'm going to pray your promise over this situation, I'm going to pray according to your will and I know if I pray according to your will which is your word then you hear me and if I get a hearing, I know that I have received what I have asked in my petition. Your prayers should include God your word says... (Find a Promise). If a lawyer does not follow procedure, the case is lost. Maybe you are losing you case of your petitions before God because you are not using his procedure that he has given you. Begin to pray according the law of God and see your petitions come to pass! You are a heavenly citizen know your rights!