

Prayer and Fasting

Matthew 6:5–18

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1. Prayer is [Godward](#), not [manward](#). *Matt. 6:5–6*
2. Prayer is [genuine](#), not rehearsed. *Matt. 6:7–8*
3. Prayer is [multifaceted](#), not one-dimensional. *Matt. 6:9–13*
 - [Praise](#). *Matt. 6:9*
 - [Submission](#). *Matt. 6:10*
 - [Petition](#) and [intercession](#). *Matt. 6:11*
 - [Confession](#). *Matt. 6:12*
 - [Protection](#). *Matt. 6:13a*
 - [Praise](#). *Matt. 6:13b*
 - [Agreement](#). *Matt. 6:13c*
4. Prayer requires [forgiveness](#) and renounces unforgiveness. *Matt. 6:14–15*
5. Fervent prayer calls for [fasting](#), not feasting. *Matt. 6:16–18*



Where Are Your Disciples?

Matthew 28:18–20

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“We have revered the Great Commission, but not obeyed it.”

Jesus’ two-fold aim in disciple making:

Genuine transformation demands more than a Worship Service or a Life Group.

A. Maturity.

- People are not going to be challenged.
- People are not going to confess their sins and struggles.

B. Multiplication.

We have done a decent job at addition; we’ve generally failed at multiplication.

“That Jesus moved on earth with a deliberate strategy of evangelism is a fact about which there can be little debate... He ordered His life by this strategy. But the concept the church of today must never overlook is that as He was executing His plan, He was also setting forth a strategy of evangelism for His church for all time. Consequently, it is not the task of the church to invent a new strategy. Our task is to rediscover His and to get in step with it.” *The Master Plan of Evangelism*, Robert Coleman

Can you hear Jesus say, “*Well done, good and faithful servant,*” if you have ignored or neglected one of the greatest imperatives He gave us?

