

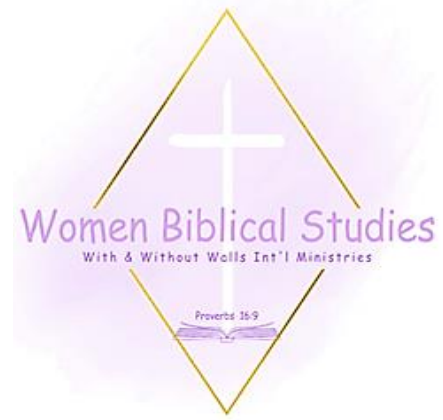
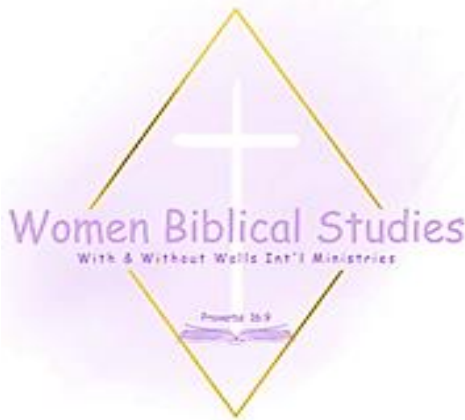
# Women's Biblical Studies With & Without Walls Int'l Ministries (WBS)

## Proverbs 16:9

**"In their hearts humans plan their course  
But the Lord establishes their steps."**

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**LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY:**

**LUKE 11:1**

v1 One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples."

**A. WHAT IS PRAYER?**

1. PRAYER IS CONVERSATION WITH GOD.
2. THE LORD'S PRAYER (AS INDEED EVERY PRAYER) IS A LETTER SENT FROM EARTH TO HEAVEN
3. PRAYER IS THE WORK OF FAITH ALONE. NO ONE, EXCEPT A BELIEVER, CAN TRULY PRAY.
4. PRAYER IS A SINCERE, SENSIBLE, AFFECTIONATE POURING OUT OF THE SOUL TO GOD, THROUGH CHRIST IN THE STRENGTH AND ASSISTANCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, FOR SUCH THINGS AS GOD HAS PROMISED.
5. PRAYER IS FAITH PASSING INTO ACTION.

**B. WHY SHOULD WE PRAY?**

1. GOD INSISTS THAT WE ASK, NOT BECAUSE HE NEEDS TO KNOW OUR SITUATION, BUT BECAUSE WE NEED THE SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINE OF ASKING.
2. DO NOT BE ANXIOUS ABOUT ANYTHING, BUT IN EVERYTHING, BY PRAYER AND PETITION, WITH THANKSGIVING, PRESENT YOUR REQUEST TO GOD. – PHILIPPIANS 4:6
3. SO I SAY TO YOU: ASK AND IT WILL BE GIVEN TO YOU; SEEK AND YOU WILL FIND; KNOCK AND THE DOOR WILL BE OPENED TO YOU. FOR EVERYONE WHO ASKS RECEIVES; HE WHO SEEKS FINDS; AND TO HIM WHO KNOCKS, THE DOOR WILL BE OPENED. – LUKE 11:9-10
4. FOR EVERYTHING GOD CREATED IS GOOD, AND NOTHING IS TO BE REJECTED IF IT IS RECEIVED WITH THANKSGIVING, BECAUSE IT IS CONSECRATED BY THE WORD OF GOD AND PRAYER.
5. [WE SHOULD PRAY] BECAUSE PRAYER IS THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF THE THANKFULNESS GOD REQUIRES OF US. AND ALSO BECAUSE GOD GIVES HIS GRACE AND HOLY SPIRIT ONLY TO THOSE WHO PRAY CONTINUALLY AND GROAN INWARDLY, ASKING GOD FOR THESE GIFTS AND THANKING HIM FOR THEM.

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C. WHEN SHOULD WE PRAY?

1. ALL THE TIME
  - (A) PRAY CONTINUALLY
  - (B) THEN JESUS TOLD HIS DISCIPLES A PARABLE TO SHOW THEM THAT THEY SHOULD ALWAYS PRAY AND NOT GIVE UP. – LUKE 18:1
  - (C) AND PRAY IN THE SPIRIT ON ALL OCCASIONS WITH ALL KIND OF PRAYERS AND REQUESTS. WITH THIS IN MIND, BE ALERT AND ALWAYS KEEP ON PRAYING FOR ALL THE SAINTS. – EPHESIANS 6:18
2. IN THE MORNING:
  - (A) IN THE MORNING, O LORD, YOU HEAR MY VOICE; IN THE MORNING I LAY MY REQUESTS BEFORE YOU AND WAIT IN EXPECTATION. – PSALM 5:3
  - (B) VERY EARLY IN THE MORNING, WHILE IT WAS STILL DARK, JESUS GOT UP, LEFT THE HOUSE AND WENT OFF TO A SOLITARY PLACE, WHERE HE PRAYED. – MARK 1:35
3. IN THE AFTERNOON:
  - (A) ONE DAY PETER AND JOHN WERE GOING UP TO THE TEMPLE AT THE TIME OF PRAYER – AT THREE IN THE AFTERNOON. – ACTS 3:1
  - (B) CORNELIUS ANSWERED: “FOUR DAYS AGO I WAS IN MY HOUSE PRAYING AT THIS HOUR, AT THREE IN THE AFTERNOON. SUDDENLY A MAN IN SHINING CLOTHES STOOD BEFORE ME – ACTS 10:30
4. THREE TIMES A DAY:
  - (A) NOW WHEN DANIEL LEARNED THAT THE DECREE HAD BEEN PUBLISHED, HE WENT HOME TO HIS UPSTAIRS ROOM WHERE THE WINDOW OPENED TOWARD JERUSALEM. THREE TIMES A DAY HE GOT DOWN ON HIS KNEES AND PRAYED, GIVING THANKS TO HIS GOD, JUST AS HE HAD DONE BEFORE. – DANIEL 6:10
  - (B) BUT I CALL TO GOD, AND THE LORD SAVES ME. EVENING, MORNING AND NOON I CRY OUT IN DISTRESS, AND HE HEARS MY VOICE. – PSALM 55:16-17
5. IN THE EVENING:
  - (A) AND WHEN THE TIME FOR THE BURNING OF INCENSE CAME, ALL THE ASSEMBLED WORSHIPERS WERE PRAYING OUTSIDE. – LUKE 1:10
  - (B) AFTER [JESUS] HAD DISMISSED THEM, HE WENT UP ON A MOUNTAINSIDE BY HIMSELF TO PRAY. WHEN EVENING CAME, HE WAS THERE ALONE. MATTHEW 14:23
6. BEFORE MEALS:
  - (A) IF I TAKE PART IN THE MEAL WITH THANKFULNESS, WHY AM I DENOUNCED BECAUSE OF SOMETHING I THANK GOD FOR? SO WHETHER YOU EAT OR DRINK OR WHATEVER YOU DO, DO IT ALL FOR THE GLORY OF GOD. 1 CORINTHIANS 10:30-31

D. WHERE SHOULD WE PRAY?

1. IN PRIVATE:
  - (A) BUT WHEN YOU PRAY, GO INTO YOUR ROOM, CLOSE THE DOOR AND PRAY TO YOUR FATHER, WHO IS UNSEEN. THEN YOUR FATHER, WHO SEES WHAT IS DONE IN SECRET, WILL REWARD YOU. – MATTHEW 6:6
2. IN BED:
  - (A) ON MY BED I REMEMBER YOU; I THINK OF YOU THROUGH THE WATCHES OF THE NIGHT. – PSALM 63:6
3. AT THE RIVER:
  - (A) ON THE SABBATH WE WENT OUTSIDE THE CITY GATE TO THE RIVER, WHERE WE EXPECTED TO FIND A PLACE OF PRAYER. WE SAT DOWN AND BEGAN TO SPEAK TO THE WOMEN WHO HAD GATHERED THERE. ACTS 16:13
4. ON THE SEASHORE:
  - (A) BUT WHEN OUR TIME WAS UP, WE LEFT AND CONTINUE ON OUR WAY. ALL THE DISCIPLES AND THEIR WIVES AND CHILDREN ACCOMPANIED US OUT OF THE CITY, AND THERE ON THE BEACH WE KNELT TO PRAY. – ACTS 21:5



5. AT THE WELL:

(A) THE [ABRAHAM'S SERVANT] PRAYED, "O LORD, GOD OF MY MASTER ABRAM, GIVE ME SUCCESS TODAY, AND SHOW KINDNESS TO MY MASTER ABRAHAM. SEE, I AM STANDING BESIDE THIS SPRING, AND THE DAUGHTERS OF THE TOWNSPEOPLE ARE COMING OUT TO DRAW WATER." GENESIS 24:12-13

6. IN GOD'S HOUSE:

(A) THERE WAS ALSO A PROPHETESS, ANNA, THE DAUGHTER OF PHANUEL, OF THE TRIBE OF ASHER. SHE WAS VERY OLD; SHE HAD LIVED WITH HER HUSBAND SEVEN YEARS AFTER HER MARRIAGE, AND THEN WAS A WIDOW UNTIL SHE WAS EIGHTY-FOUR. SHE NEVER LEFT THE TEMPLE BUT WORSHIPED NIGHT AND DAY, FASTING AND PRAYING. – LUKE 2:36-37

7. ON THE BATTLEFIELD:

(A) ON THE DAY THE LORD GAVE THE AMORITES OVER TO ISRAEL, JOSHUA SAID TO THE LORD IN THE PRESENCE OF ISRAEL: "O SUN, STAND STILL OVER GIBEON, O MOON, OVER THE VALLEY OF IJALON." SO THE SUN STOOD STILL AND MOON STOPPED, TILL THE NATION AVENGED ITSELF ON ITS ENEMIES.