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## 4 Talking with God

Since we are dealing with Almighty God, it is not too much to expect that we should give Him the best of each day. (For some of us this would probably mean the early morning.) Whatever the time, and in a private place, you can talk to Him and He speaks to you! The writer of the Old Testament Book of Psalms said it this way: "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). Let us see what further advice the Bible gives us about the adventure of prayer.

1. Did Jesus believe in having a private time of prayer with His Father? (Mark 1:35)

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2. When should I pray? (Luke 18:1) \_\_\_\_\_

3. What attitude or expression should be a part of every prayer? (1 Thessalonians 5:17-18)

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4. What is a major cause of unanswered prayer? "If I had cherished sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened" (Psalm 66:18). \_\_\_\_\_

5. What determines if God hears our prayer? (1 John 5:14) \_\_\_\_\_

### Memory Verse

"Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full"

(John 16:2, KJV).

6. What lessons have you learned from John's Gospel about prayer?

a. What privilege does every Christian have? (John 16:24) \_\_\_\_\_

b. By answering your prayer, what does Christ want to do? (John 14:13)  
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c. What does Christ ask of us in order for Him to answer our request? (John 15:7)  
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7. In order to receive an answer, what must I do when I pray? (Matthew 21:22)

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8. Some specific things I can pray for are:

a. Matthew 6:11 \_\_\_\_\_

b. Matthew 9:38 \_\_\_\_\_

c. Philippians 1:9 \_\_\_\_\_

d. 1 Timothy 2:1-2 \_\_\_\_\_

e. James 1:5 \_\_\_\_\_

9. What can keep me from entering into temptation (or testing)? (Matthew 26:41)

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10. The best prayers are those that (*check the best answer*):

\_\_\_\_\_ a. Use proper religious words

\_\_\_\_\_ b. "Sound" like they are praying

\_\_\_\_\_ c. Come right from my heart

11. When and where are you planning to have your daily time of prayer?

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### Memory Verse

"Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. Ask and you will receive, and your joy will be complete" (John 16:24, NIV).