

Series: The Entrance

Sermon: The Approach (Why Should We Pray?)

Verses: 1 Kings 19:11-19 by: Jeff Piepho

Ephesians 6:18-19

Pray all the time. Ask God for anything in line with the Holy Spirit's wishes. Plead with him, reminding him of your needs, and keep praying earnestly for all Christians everywhere.

Verses 11-13a

1. Praying _____ our _____.

The word "gentle" comes from two Hebrew words meaning: a _____ voice

James 4:2

You do not have, because you do not ask God.

Verse 13

2. Praying allows us to _____ God's _____.

Have you ever heard God say, "_____ what are you doing here?"

Verse 14

3. Praying let's us _____ our _____ to God.

Verse 15

4. Praying helps us to _____.

Stanley Jones

Prayer is surrender – surrender to the will of God and cooperation with that will. If I throw out a boat hook from a boat and catch hold of the shore and pull, do I pull the shore to me, or do I pull myself to the shore? Prayer is not pulling God to my will, but the aligning of my will to the will of God.

Verses 17-18

5. Praying _____ God's _____.

Oswald Chambers

Prayer is *the* battle, and it makes no difference where you are. However God may engineer your circumstances, your duty is to pray. Never allow yourself this thought, "I am of no use where I am," because you certainly cannot be used where you have not yet been placed.

Verse 19

6. Praying _____.

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Next Week: "The Examination" - *How to pray*
You think you know, but you have no idea!

"The Examination" will challenge and invigorate your prayer life.