

*Prayer that reaches the heart of God
comes from the heart of man*

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The Bible teaches that prayer is basically directed to God for something and not to others, through others, or always against something. Prayer is normally directed to God in the name of Jesus and in agreement with God's known Word, understood ways, or revealed will. Misdirected prayers are often unanswered as revealed in James 4:3.

When we pray, our focus should be on God hearing our prayer and not on other people hearing our prayer. In other words, we should not use prayer time to preach, encourage, or instruct others as though we held a captive audience in this Holy moment. Prayer which reaches the heart of God comes from the heart of man.

Prayer for Today

Lord God, teach me to pray effectively in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Scriptures for Today

John 16:23-24 And in that day you will ask Me nothing. Most assuredly, I say to you, whatever you ask the Father in My name He will give you. Until now you have asked nothing in My name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full. (NKJV)

James 4:2-3 You lust and do not have. You murder and covet and cannot obtain. You fight and war. Yet you do not have because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask amiss, that you may spend it on your pleasures. (NKJV)

John 15:16 You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you. (NKJV)