BIBLICAL CONSIDERATIONS ON PRAYER

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1. The first mention of prayer (Genesis 4:23)

2. The universal need of prayer (Psalm 65; Isaiah 56:7)

3. The Holy Spirit's aid in prayer (Romans 8:26, 27)

4. The encouragement to pray

* I Chronicles 16:11
* Matthew 7:7
* Matthew 26:41
* Luke 18:1
* John 16:24
* Ephesians 6:18
* Philippians 4:6
* Colossians 4:2
* I Thessalonians 5:17
* I Timothy 2:8
* James 5:13

5. The effect of prayer

* with Moses (Exodus 15:24, 25)
* with Gideon (Judges 6:39, 40)
* with Hannah (I Samuel 1:27)
* with Elijah (I Kings 18:37, 38)
* with Ezra (Ezra 8:23)
* with the Early Church (Acts 4:31)

6. The promises of answers to prayer

* Psalm 91:15
* Isaiah 65:24
* Jeremiah 33:3
* Luke 11:9
* John 15:7

7. The conditions of successful prayer

* Contrition (II Chronicles 7:14)
* Whole-heartedness (Jeremiah 29:13)
* Faith (Mark 11:24)
* Righteousness (James 5:16)
* Obedience (I John 3:22)

8. The postures of prayer

* Bowing (Genesis 24:26)
* Kneeling (Ephesians 3:14)
* On the face before God (Numbers 20:6)
* Standing (Mark 11:25)

9. The private prayers of Christ

* Morning prayer (Mark 11:35)
* Evening prayer (Mark 6:46)
* Solitary prayer (Luke 5:15, 16)
* All night in prayer (Luke 6:12)

10. The importunity of prayer

* Abraham (Genesis 18:32)
* Jacob (Genesis 32:26)
* Moses (Deuteronomy 9:18)
* Jesus (Luke 22:44)
* The early church (Acts 12:5)
* Elijah (James 5:17)