

祈祷(贰)

Prayer (II)

壹 祈祷的紧要(续)

I. The Importance of Prayer (continued)

(三) ‘求的，就得着’——‘得不着，是因为…不求。’马太七章八节，雅各书四章二节。

3. “Everyone who asks receives”; “You do not have because you do not ask” (Matt. 7:8; James 4:2).

这些话告诉我们一个定律，就是求就得着，不求就得不着。这个定律，说出祷告的紧要。祷告是我们从神得到恩典和祝福所必须有的。我们要从神得着什么，就必须向神求，就必须祷告。

These verses speak of a principle: [He who asks receives, and he who does not ask does not receive](#). This shows the importance of prayer. [Prayer is necessary for us to receive God's grace and blessing](#). If we want something from God, we must ask God; we must pray.

(四) ‘凡事藉着祷告、祈求，…告诉神。’腓立比四章六至七节。

4. “In everything, by prayer and petition with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God” (Phil. 4:6).

这里说，凡事，就是不论大事或小事，都要藉着祷告、祈求，告诉神。这就是说，我们在每一件事上，为着每一件事，都要祷告祈求。在每一件事上，我们都该和神有交通，都该接触神，寻求神的意思，都该摸着神和神的心意。所以在每一件事上，祷告都是需要的。

[In both large and small matters, we should let our requests be made known to God by prayer and petition](#). This implies that we must pray and petition concerning everything and for everything. We should fellowship with God, touch God, and seek His will concerning everything. We should touch God and His will in everything. Therefore, [prayer is necessary in everything](#).

(五) ‘来到施恩的宝座前，…得怜恤，蒙恩惠，作随时的帮助。’希伯来四章十六节。

5. “Come forward with boldness to the throne of grace that we may receive mercy and find grace for timely help” (Heb. 4:16).

我们今天活在地上，作神的儿女，需要神的怜悯和恩惠，作我们随时的帮助。这是必须时常藉着祷告，来到神施恩的宝座前，才能得到的。‘随时的帮助，’更好是翻作‘合时的帮助’。合时的帮助，就是合乎时需的帮助，也就是正在有需要的时候，所得到的帮助。要从神得到这种合时的帮助，就必须随时进到神施恩的宝座前，时常和神有接触。只有我们在灵里随时摸着神的宝座，接触神的自己，我们里面才能蒙到神的怜恤和恩惠，作我们合时的帮助。随时祷告，对我们得怜恤，蒙恩惠，是紧要的。

[As children of God living on earth today, we need God's mercy and grace for timely help. We must come to the throne of grace frequently through prayer to obtain this grace and mercy](#). Timely help is help that arrives when it is needed. If we want to receive timely help from God, we must come to the throne of grace and contact God frequently. We can receive God's mercy and grace for timely help by frequently touching His throne and contacting Him in our spirit. [Praying at all times is important for receiving grace and mercy](#).

(六) ‘在…祷告的时候…看见异象。’行传十一章五节。

6. “Praying, and I saw in a trance a vision” (Acts 11:5).

在祷告的时候看见异象！我顶喜欢这句话。当日彼得是在祷告的时候看见异象，晓得神要他去对外邦人传福音。今天许多时候，我们也是在祷告中看见属灵的异象，得到神的启示。少祷告的人，很难看见异象，得到启示。异象、启示，是属于神的，我们若和神多有接触，就容易得到。所以在这件事上，祷告特别有地位。

[As we pray, we see visions](#). When Peter was praying in the city of Joppa, he saw a vision and knew that God wanted him to go and preach the gospel to the Gentiles. Today we often see spiritual visions and receive revelation while praying. It is difficult for people who do not pray much to see visions and receive revelations.

Visions and revelations are of God. Therefore, [if we continually contact God, it will be easy to receive visions and revelations. Prayer has a special function in the matter of receiving visions and revelations.](#)

(七) ‘求告我，我就应允，…指示。’ 耶利米三十三章三节。

7. “Call unto Me, and I will answer you and tell you great and hidden things” (Jer. 33:3).

这话给我们看见，我们求告主—就是祷告，不只能得到主的应允，并且能得到主的指示。就是又太又难，我们不容易明白的事，若有够多的祷告，也可以得到主的指示。所以在我们有疑难的时候，要得到主的指示，就必须祷告。我们祷告，主就必指示我们。

[When we call unto the Lord—when we pray—we not only receive an answer, but He also tells us great and hidden things.](#) We can be directed by the Lord concerning a great and difficult matter, one that is not easy to understand, if there is sufficient prayer. When we have problems, we must pray to receive the Lord’s direction. [When we pray, the Lord will direct us.](#)

(八) ‘时时儆醒，常常祈求，使你们能逃避这一切要来的事，得以站立在人子面前。’ 路加二十一章三十六节。

8. “Be watchful at every time, beseeching that you would prevail to escape all these things which are about to happen and stand before the Son of Man” (Luke 21:36).

这里所说能逃避这一切要来的事，得以站立在人子面前，乃是指着能逃避要来的大灾难，而得以被提到主面前说的。在前面，主告诉我们，到这世代的末了，必有大灾难临到全地上的人。我们若时时儆醒，常常祈求，就能使我们免去那要临到地上的大灾难，而得以被提到主面前。儆醒祈求，是这样关系我们的前途，该叫我们看见祷告的紧要，而重视祷告。

[Prevailing to escape the things which are about to happen and to stand before the Son of Man refers to escaping the coming tribulation and being raptured to the Lord.](#) According to the Lord’s word, great tribulation will come upon the people of the whole earth at the end of the age. [If we are watchful and beseeching at every time, we will be positioned to escape the coming tribulation on the earth and be raptured to be with the Lord.](#) Watching and praying are very much related to our future; therefore, we should realize the importance of prayer and pay attention to it.

(九) ‘儆醒祈求，因为你们不晓得那日期几时来到。’ 马可十三章三十三节。

9. “Beware, be alert; for you do not know when the time is” (Mark 13:33).

祷告对于我们儆醒等候主来，也是重要的。主在圣经中清楚告诉我们，祂必要再来，并郑重的吩咐我们，要儆醒等候祂来。祂要在何日何时来，没有人晓得，所以要等候祂来，就必须儆醒。能叫我们儆醒的，就是祷告。只有祷告的人，才能儆醒等候主。所以我们要儆醒等候主，祷告是不可缺少的。

[Praying is important in our watching and waiting for the Lord to return.](#) In the Bible the Lord clearly tells us that He will return, and He solemnly commands us to watch and wait for His coming. No one knows the day and the hour, so we must be watchful to wait for His coming. Prayer causes us to be watchful. [Only a praying person can be watchful and wait for the Lord.](#) If we want to be watchful and wait for the Lord, we should not be short of prayer.

(十) ‘万物的结局近了；…要…儆醒祷告。’ 彼前四章七节。

10. “The end of all things has drawn near. Therefore be sober-minded and be sober unto prayers” (1 Pet. 4:7).

这里告诉我们，万物的结局近了，所以我们要儆醒祷告。今日世人所看重所倚靠的世事世物，将来都要过去，都要有一个‘结局’。因为那个结局近了，所以我们要儆醒祷告，免得被这些就要过去的世事世物所迷所累，而不能亲近主、仰望主、等候主。弟兄姊妹，现在万物的结局更是近了，所以我们更该儆醒祷告。我们要知道，世事世物越近结局，迷人累人就越厉害。今日世事世物在人身上的光景，岂不是这样么？今日世事世物迷人累人，可说是空前的。只有儆醒祷告，能叫我们胜过这种光景。在今日世事世物这样厉害迷人累人的光景之下，儆醒祷告对于我们尤其是紧要的。

This verse tells us that the end of all things is near, so we must be sober unto prayers. The world and the things of the world that people rely on will pass away. They will all come to an end. [Since the end of all things](#)

is near, we must be sober unto prayers in order not to be entangled and bewitched by the world and the things of the world that are passing away. Without prayer, we will not be able to come to the Lord, hope in the Lord, or wait for the Lord. Brothers and sisters, the end of all things is even closer; therefore, we should be more sober unto prayers. We must realize that as the end of the world and the things in the world draw nearer, they will entangle and bewitch people even more. Do we not see the influence of the world and the things in the world upon people today? People in the world are entangled and bewitched as never before. [We can overcome this condition only by being sober unto prayers.](#) Being sober unto prayers is especially important given the entangling and bewitching influence of the world and the things in the world.

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