



# Building A House of Prayer

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## ***Matthew 6:9-15***

**This, then, is how you should pray: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one." For if you forgive men when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.**

# Introduction

- Link between prayer and revival.
- God is poised for revival, looking for willing vessels to participate with Him.
- Many obstacles to prayer:
  - ∞ Don't see link between prayer and revival
  - ∞ Distracted by options we have for our time
  - ∞ Many just don't know how to pray
- Issue for disciples: "We don't know how to pray."
- Lord teach us to pray...

# Key To Starting Our Prayer Time

- Enter His gates with thanksgiving, enter His courts with praise *Psalm 100:4-5*
- Praise is thanking Him for what He has done.
- It's not based on how we feel, decision of the will.
- Living a life of praise releases the presence of god in our lives.
- Praise drowns out criticism, defeats depression & fear in our lives.

**Start your prayer time with praise!**

# **Family Room: (Our Father in Heaven)**


- **Place where you feel comfortable being part of a family.**
- **The Father wants to lavish His love on you.**
- **Focus is not on what you can put out, but on who He has made you.**
- **This is where God's love transforms us.**
- **Take God's word with you to pray, read God's love letters as a start in praising Him.**

# Adoration Room: (Hallowed Be Thy Name)

- Reverence God for who He is.
- Call upon God by the names associated with Him:
  - Righteousness
  - Healer
  - Banner
  - Shepherd
  - Provider
  - Sanctifier
  - Who is Present
  - Peace

# **Declaration Room: (Your Kingdom Come)**

- **Place to declare God's word over our families, church, communities, circumstances, finances.**
- **Acknowledge that God reigns over these areas and declare His authority!**
- **Pray for:**
  - **Yourself**
  - **Your Family**
  - **Your Church**
  - **Your Nation**

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- **More Rooms To Come in next week's message.**
  - **Let's go and practice what we've learned this week!**
  - **Lord, teach us to pray...**
  - **Let's PRAY!!!!**