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The Prayer Patterns & Practices of Jesus

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I. Biblical examples of Jesus praying

1. Jesus prayed early in the morning (Mark 1:35-39)
2. Jesus prayed all night long (Luke 6:12-16)
3. Jesus prayed in challenging times (Matthew 26:36-46)
4. Jesus prayed with prayer partners (Luke 11:2)

II. Scripture references with Jesus

1. Mark 1:35 - "Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed."
2. Luke 6:12 - "One of those days Jesus went out to a mountainside to pray, and spent the night praying to God."
3. Matthew 26:36 - "Then Jesus went with his disciples to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to them, "Sit here while I go over there and pray."
4. Luke 11:2 - "And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth."

III. Jesus prayed early in the morning (Mark 1:35-39)

1. Jesus prayed before the sun came up
2. Jesus prayed in solitude, away from everyone else
3. Jesus prayed in a set/designated place

III. Jesus prayed all night (Luke 6:12-16)

1. Jesus didn't rush his prayer but prayed all night to God
2. Jesus' made prayer and his relationship with God a top priority
3. Jesus received revelation through prayer about which disciples to make Apostles

IV. Jesus prayed in Gethsemane (Matt. 26:36-46)

1. Jesus prayed with prayer partners
2. Jesus prayed for God's will to be done
3. Jesus prayed with persistence

V. Things OPEN up when we pray

1. God opens doors for us when we honestly pray
2. God opens our hearts when we pray
3. God opens our minds when we pray

VI. Prayer will HELP you

1. Prayer will help you stay optimistic about your future
2. Prayer will help you clarify the options before you
3. Prayer will help you optimize the potential in and around you
4. Prayer will help you change your opinion about people
5. Prayer will help you change your perspective about situations

VII. Scriptures on Prayer

1. My father's house should be a House of Prayer – Matt 21:13
2. The Holy Spirit intercedes for us – Romans 8:26-27
3. The effectual fervent prayers of the righteous – James 5:16
4. If my people who are called by name – 2 Chronicles 7:14

VIII. It is important to pray

1. It is important to pray in Jesus name – John 14:13-14
2. It is important to pray in faith – Mark 11:24
3. It is important to pray the Word/scriptures – Isaiah 55:11

IX. Prayers in a Worship Experience

1. Invocation - Invite God's presence in to the gathering space
2. Offertory Prayer – Ask God to bless and multiply the resources
3. Alter Prayer – Intercede for others and not yourself
4. Prayer of Salvation – Lead others to accept Christ as Savior
5. Prayer of Comfort – Request God to give relief to the bereaved

X. Why Pray?

1. Pray because you want to be closer to God
2. Pray because it's a commandment from God
3. Pray because you want to be corrected by God
4. Pray because you want clarity from God
5. Pray because you wanted to be comforted by God

XI. Examples of People who prayed

1. Sarah prayed – I Samuel 1:27
2. Nehemiah prayed - Nehemiah 1:4
3. Disciples prayed – Luke 11:1-13
4. Paul and Silas prayed – Acts 16:25-34

XII. Types of Prayer

1. Prayer of Healing – James 5:14-16
2. Prayer of Provision – I Chronicles 4:10
3. Prayer of Loosing and Binding – Matthew 18:18

XIII. Prayer with and for others

1. Pray with your biological family and church family
2. Pray for the less fortunate and pray for your enemies