

16. PRAYING THE WORD JOHN 15:7,8



John 15:7 If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. **8** By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.

FOUR FOUNDATIONS OF PRAYER

1. POSITION – WE ABIDE IN CHRIST

1 John 2:27 But the anointing that you received from him abides in you, and you have no need that anyone should teach you. But as his anointing teaches you about everything—and is true and is no lie, just as it has taught you—abide in him.

2. POWER — THE WORD ABIDES IN US

John 3:33 The man who has accepted it has certified that God is truthful. **34** For the one whom God has sent speaks the words of God, for God gives the Spirit without limit.

John 6:63 The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life.

John 6:68 Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

3. MOTIVATION – GLORIFY THE FATHER

Romans 15:5 May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, **6** that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

4. CALLING – FRUITFUL DISCIPLES

Luke 5:16 But Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed.

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Isaiah 55:8 "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the LORD. **9** "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. **10** As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater, **11** so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it."

Psalms 79:9 Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; deliver us, and atone for our sins, for your name's sake!

Galatians 1:3 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, **4** who gave himself for our sins to deliver us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, **5** to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Psalms 119:25 My soul clings to the dust; give me life according to your word! **26** When I told of my ways, you answered me; teach me your statutes!

Psalms 119:65 You have dealt well with your servant, O LORD, according to your word.