

- Matthew 21:22, NIV – *“If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer.”*

3. Confess (Declare) The Truth About What God Has Already Done

- Romans 10:9, NIV – *“That if you confess with your mouth, ‘Jesus is Lord,’ and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.”*
- Through confessing or declaring the truth, we build an atmosphere of belief in our life.
- Psalm 71:17, NIV – *“Since my youth, O God, you have taught me, and to this day I declare your marvelous deeds.”*

4. Embrace The Truth About What God Has Already Done

a) Receive It As A Child

- Mark 10:15, NIV – *“I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.”*

b) Walk It Out

- Colossians 2:6, LITV – *“Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, walk in Him.”*

CONCLUSION / APPLICATION

- We must pray with the right motives
- We must pray with the right understanding that God has already moved
- We must pray with the right perspective of believing and receiving

HOW TO PRAY EFFECTIVELY

Part 2 – Learn To Believe And Receive

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REVIEW

1. We Must Pray With The Right Motives

- James 4:3a, NIV – *“When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives ...”*

2. We Must Pray With The Right Understanding That God Has Already Moved

- 1 Peter 3:18a, NIV – *“For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. ...”*
- 1 Peter 2:24, NIV – *“He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.”*

WE MUST LEARN TO BELIEVE AND RECEIVE

1. Take God At His Word

- It’s now not up to Him to do anything, but for us to receive what He’s done.
- Romans 10:9, NIV – *“That if you confess with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.”*
- Romans 10:13, NIV – *“for, ‘Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.’”*

2. Choose To Walk Out What God Has Already Given You

- Colossians 2:6, LITV – *“Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, walk in Him.”*

3. Help Others To Receive What God Has Already Done

- Matthew 10:8, NIV – *“Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received, freely give.”*

4. Trust In The Finished Work Of Jesus Christ

- John 19:30, NIV – *“When he had received the drink, Jesus said, ‘It is finished.’ With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.”*
- Colossians 1:13, NIV – *“For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves.”*

5. Understand What The Good News Is!

- The gospel is good news – it’s about what Jesus has already done ... not good prophecy – about what Jesus is going to do!
- Prayer is for receiving by faith, what God has already done.

FIRST STEPS TO LEARNING TO BELIEVE AND RECEIVE

1. Learn The Truth About What God Has Already Done

- Acts 17:11, NIV – *“Now the Bereans were of more noble character than the Thessalonians, for they received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true.”*
- 1 Peter 2:24, NIV – *“He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.”*
- Ephesians 1:3, NIV – *“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.”*
- Luke 10:19, NIV – *“I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you.”*

2. Believe The Truth About What God Has Already Done

- Proverbs 23:23, NIV – *“Buy the truth and do not sell it; get wisdom, discipline and understanding.”*
- Matthew 18:19, LITV - *Again I say to you, If two of you agree on earth as to anything, whatever they shall ask, it shall be to them from My Father in Heaven.*
- Romans 10:9, NIV – *“That if you confess with your mouth, ‘Jesus is Lord,’ and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.”*