



Series: Drawing Near to the Throne of Grace Henry Clay

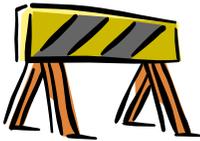
Week 8: "Some Nuts and Bolts" Practical Considerations



I. Conditions of prayer - to help us find the way, like a map

- a) Ask in faith (James 1:6-7)
- b) Ask according to His will (1 Jn. 5:14-15)
- c) Abide in Him and His words abide in you (Jn. 15:7)
- d) In His name (Jn. 15:16)
- e) Ask with right motives (James 4:3)
- f) Persevere (Luke 18:1-8)

II. Barriers to prayer



- a) Unconfessed sin (Is.59:2)
- b) Unforgiveness; bitterness (Matt.18:34-35)
- c) Not honoring your wife (1 Peter 3:7)
- d) Rebellion: witchcraft (1 Sam.15:23)
- e) Not knowing the Scriptures (Matt. 22:29)

III. Different Kinds of Prayer Activities

Vigil, fasting and prayer, half day in prayer, concert of prayer, missions prayer trip, 40 days in prayer (John 16:24)

IV. Spiritual warfare

Perspective

1. Caution, but not terror
2. Deal with it, but don't emphasize it. (Heb. 12:2)
3. Be realistic, not fatalistic nor triumphalistic (1 P 1:13)

Weapons: (2 Cor. 10:3-5) The name of Jesus; the Word of God (truth); holiness (righteousness); evangelism; forgiveness; unity/reconciliation; thanksgiving/praise (faith)

Are you known in hell? (Acts 19:13-16)



V. Importance revealed in Scripture

Do you think He's trying to tell us something?

Close: Praying with all your heart

* God wants to lead you to a wide place of grace and joy, not a narrow place of formulas or recipes.

