

LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY

Luke 11:1b

Prayer aligns our hearts with God's
will so we can live out his purpose



Before We Ask [Genesis 5:21-24]

*Before we learn what to ask God for,
we need to learn how to walk with God.*

Big Idea: Prayer begins not with what we want from God but with learning to walk with God.

*Enoch's life reminds us that prayer is
fundamentally about relationship, fellowship,
and communion with God.*

I. STAY CLOSE [Genesis 5:21-22]

Walking with God Means Being Close to God

Application: Maybe the question we need to ask this fall isn't: "How can I pray more?" Maybe it's: "How can I walk closer with God?"

II. TALK IT OUT [Genesis 5:22]

Walking with God Means Talking with God

Application: Make Prayer a Conversation, Not Just a Request List

III. KEEP WALKING [Genesis 5:23-24]

Walking with God Means Trusting God

Application: Trust God with What You Cannot Control

Question, Reading, Challenge, and Prayer

Question: Read Genesis 5:21-24. What would it look like for me to walk more closely with God this week? Am I treating prayer mainly as a time to ask God for things, or as an opportunity to know, trust, and listen to Him?

Reading: Read Hebrews 10:19-22 and John 15:4-5. Notice how Scripture describes our relationship with God as walking with Him, abiding in Him, and drawing near to Him.

Challenge: Set aside five minutes each day this week to talk with God, listen through His Word, and surrender one thing you are trying to control. Simply pray, "Lord, teach me to walk with You today."

Prayer: Ask God to help you walk closely with Him, listen to His voice, and trust Him in the journey and remain connected to Him each day.

[Genesis 5:21-24] When Enoch had lived 65 years, he fathered Methuselah. ²² Enoch walked with God [Micah 5:8] after he fathered Methuselah 300 years and had other sons and daughters. [5:24, 6:9] ²³ Thus all the days of Enoch were 365 years. ²⁴ Enoch walked with God, and he was not, for God took him. [Hebrews 11:5, 2 Kings 2:11]

Enoch was a seventh-generation descendant of Adam through Seth. He was the father of Methuselah and great-grandfather of Noah. Genesis 5:24 describes Enoch as a man who "walked with God" (NIV) or "in close fellowship with God" (NLT). The name Enoch may originate from a Semitic word meaning "to dedicate, initiate."

Enoch was 365 years old when "he disappeared, because God took him" to heaven (Genesis 5:24, NLT).

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[Micah 6:8] He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

[John 15:4-5] Abide [John 15:5-7, 6:56, 1 John 2:6, Philippians 1:11, Colossians 1:23] in me, and I in you. [3:15] As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. ⁵ I am the vine; you are the branches. [Romans 6:5] Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. [15:16, Colossians 1:6, 1:10]

[Hebrews 11:5] By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken, he was commended as having pleased God.

[Hebrews 10:19-22] Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter [4:16] the holy places by the blood of Jesus, [9:25] ²⁰ by the new and living way that he opened for us [Hebrews 9:8, John 10:9, 14:6] through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, [9:3] ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, [4:14, 2:17, Zechariah 6:11-13] ²² let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean [Ezekiel 36:25, Hebrews 12:24, 2 Corinthians 7:1, 1 Peter 1:2] from an evil conscience [Hebrews 9:14] and our bodies washed with pure water. [1 Corinthians 6:11]

[John 14:6] Jesus said to him, "I am the way, [Hebrews 9:8, 10:20, Ephesians 2:18] and the truth, and [1:14, 1:17, 1 John 5:20] the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. [11:25]