

Quotes about Prayer

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Allen, Charles L.

The first purpose of prayer is to know God.

Allen, George H.

Kneel before you leap.

Anonymous (or unknown)

Embark upon no enterprise you cannot submit to the test of prayer.

God eagerly awaits the chance to bless the person whose heart is turned toward him.

It is impossible to lose your footing while on your knees.

If Christians spent as much time praying as they do grumbling, they would have nothing to grumble about.

Our business in prayer is not to prescribe, but to subscribe to the wisdom and will of God; to refer our case to him, and then leave it with him.

Nothing lies beyond the reach of prayer except that which lies beyond the will of God.

God's power enters our human programs through the door of prayer. Unless the church's ministry is bathed in prayer, it remains merely a human endeavor.

Prayer will make a person cease from sin, or sin will entice a person to cease from prayer.

No day is well spent without communication with God.

Daily prayers lessen daily cares.

When you go to your knees, God will help you stand up to anything.

The more we pray, the more our horizons expand and the more we come to expect from a supernatural, miracle-working God.

Do not face the day until you have faced God.

Do not pray by heart, but with the heart.

Christ actually meant prayer to be the great power by which his church should do its work.

If family worship is neglected, other attempts at prayer are like sprinkling the foliage of a plant while leaving the roots dry.

Arguments never settle anything; but prayer changes things.

God rules the world through the prayers of his people.

Courage is fear that has said its prayers.

True prayer is a way of life, not just a case of emergency.

Prayer is hardest when it is hardest to pray.

Ministry without prayer becomes work in the power of the flesh. Prayer without ministry is complacent Christianity. A hour of prayer at the beginning of the meeting actually shortens the overall meeting time by bringing a greater spirit of unity, by emphasizing spiritual priorities, and by opening people's hearts to the Spirit's guidance.

He stands best who kneels most.

It is not possible to explain the power and effectiveness of the New Testament church without reference to prayer.

Nothing lies outside the reach of prayer except that which lies outside the will of God.

Without prayer no work is well done.

Christ actual means prayer to be the greatest power by which his church should do it work.

It's strange that in our praying we seldom ask for a change of character, but always a change of circumstances.

Appleton, George

Prayer is essentially man standing before his God in wonder, awe, and humility; man, made in the image of God, responding to his maker.

Augustine, Saint

Do you wish to pray in the temple? Pray in your own heart. But begin by being God's temple, for he will listen to those who invoke him in his temple.

Usually prayer is a question of groaning rather than speaking, tears rather than words.

Bartlett, Allen E.

Seven days without prayer makes one weak.

Baxter, Sidlow

Men may spurn our appeals, reject our message, oppose our arguments, despise our persons, but they are helpless against our prayers.

Bible Illustrator, The

It takes effort to pray well. It takes preparation to pray meaningfully. It takes diligence to pray faithfully. Yet prayer is not a burden, but a glorious opportunity that brings rich rewards.

Biersdorf, John E.

In prayer we have the courage, perhaps even the presumption and the arrogance or the audacity, to claim that God's love can be operative in the very specific situations of human need that we encounter.

Billheimer, Paul

Prayer is not begging God to do something He is loath to do. It is not overcoming reluctance in God. It is enforcing Christ's victory over Satan. It is implementing upon earth heaven's decision concerning the affairs of men.

Blanchard, John

No answer to prayer is an indication of our merit; every answer to prayer is an indication of God's mercy.

Boone, Wellington

Prayer laid the tracks where the gospel was going to come.

Booth, William

Work as if everything depended upon work and pray as if everything depended on prayer.

Bounds, E.M.

The more praying there is in the world, the better the world will be; the mightier the forces against evil everywhere.

Prayer means to pray with God till you are like him. If we really pray, we will become more like God, or else we will quit praying.

God shapes the world by prayer. Prayers are deathless. They outlive the lives of those who utter them.

John Wesley spent two hours daily in prayer. He began at four in the morning. Of him, one who knew him well wrote: "He thought prayer to be his business more than anything else, and I have seen him come out of his closet with a serenity of face next to shining.

Trouble and prayer are closely related to each other. Prayer is of great value to trouble. Trouble often drives men to God in prayer. Prayer is but the voice of men in trouble.

We do more of everything else than of praying. As poor as our giving is, our contributions of money exceed our offerings of prayer. Perhaps in the average congregation, fifty aid in paying, where one saintly, ardent soul shuts itself up with God and wrestles for the deliverance of the heathen world. . . . We emphasize other things more than we do the necessity of prayer.

God shapes the world through prayer.

Prayer is a wonderful, powerful; tool placed by Almighty God in the hands of His saints, which may be used to accomplish great purposes and to achieve unusual results. Prayer reaches to everything, takes in all things great and small which are promised by God to men. The only limits to prayer are the promises of God and his ability to fulfill those promises.

Prayer is God's life-giving breathe. God's purposes move along the pathway made by prayer to their glorious designs. God's purposes are always moving to their high and beneficial ends, but the movement is along the way marked by unceasing prayer. The breathe of prayer is from God.

To pray is the calmest things we can do, and to do it well, there must be calm ness, time and deliberation.

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The prime need of the church is not men of money nor men of brains, but men of prayer.

What the church needs today is not more machinery or better, not new organizations or more novel methods, but people whom the Holy Spirit can use—people of prayer, people mighty in prayer. The Holy Spirit does not flow through methods, but through men and women. He does not come on machinery, but on men and women. He does not anoint plans, but men and women—men and women of prayer.

Bridges, Charles

God loves to be consulted.

Bridges, Jerry

One of the more serious sins of Christians today may be the almost flippant familiarity with which we address God in prayer. None of the godly men of the Bible ever adopted the casual manner we often do.

Brooks, Phillips

Pray the largest prayers. You cannot think a prayer so large that God, in answering it, will not wish you had made it larger. Pray not for crutches but wings!

O, do not pray for easy lives. Pray for stronger men. Do not pray for tasks equal to your powers. Pray for powers equal to your tasks.

Brown, Robert McAfee

Prayer is for many like a foreign land. When we go there, we go as tourists, we feel uncomfortable and out of place.

Like most tourists, we therefore move on before too long and go somewhere else.

Bryant, David

God's whole vision for the whole world can only be fulfilled through the whole body of Christ. Therefore, the whole Body must pursue that vision together. And, the most strategic way to pursue it is through a movement of united prayer for spiritual awakening and world evangelism.

Bumper Sticker

You are a child of God. Call home!

Bunyan, John

Prayer is a shield to the soul, a sacrifice to God, and a scourge for Satan.

When you pray, rather let your heart be without words than words without heart.

Prayer is a sincere, sensible, affectionate pouring out of the soul to God, through Christ in the strength and assistance of the Spirit for such things as God promised.

Buxton, Sir Thomas

You know the value of prayer: it is precious beyond all price. Never, never neglect it.

Calvin, John

In intercession, our king upon the throne finds his highest glory....through the answer to our prayers is secured by the fact that in rejecting them God would in a certain sense deny his own nature.

Prayer is obedience! God's command is our motive for prayer.

Words fail to explain how necessary prayers, and in how many ways the exercise of prayer is profitable. Surely, with good reason the Heavenly Father affirms that the only stronghold of safety is in calling upon his name [cf. Joel 2:32]. By doing so we invoke the presence both of his providence, through which he watches over and guards our affairs, and of his power, through which he sustains us, weak as we are and well-nigh overcome, and of his goodness, through which he receives us, miserably burdened with sins, unto grace; and, in short, it is by prayer that we call him to reveal himself as wholly resent to us.

This is the sum of it: whether one is alone or in company at prayer the attitude to adopt is to think of God as one's witness, as though shut off inside a room.

God's command and promise is our motive for prayer.

Prayer is the chief exercise of faith.

Card, Michael

Beyond the preoccupation we all have with our needs, the rock-bottom reality of prayer is the sharing of experience.

Chadwick, Samuel

The one concern of the devil is to keep Christians from praying. He fears nothing from prayerless studies, prayerless work, and prayerless religion. He laughs at our toil, mocks at our wisdom, but trembles when we pray.

Satan dreads nothing but prayer. The one concern of the devil is to keep the church from praying. He laughs at our toil, mocks our wisdom, but trembles when we pray.

Hurry is the death of prayer.

Chambers, Oswald

Prayer is not simply getting things from God; that is a most initial form of prayer; prayer is getting into perfect communion with God.

Think of the last thing you prayed about—were you devoted to your desire or to God? Determined to get some gift of the Spirit or to get at God? "Your heavenly Father knoweth what things ye have need of before ye ask Him." The point of asking is that you might get to know God better. Keep praying in order to get a perfect understanding of God Himself.

The real business of your life as a saved soul is intercessory prayer. Wherever God puts you in relationships and circumstances, pray immediately; pray that Christ's atonement may be realized in other lives as it has been in yours. Pray for your friends now; pray for those with whom you come in contact now.

If we think of prayer as the breath in our lungs and the blood from our hearts, we think rightly. The blood flows ceaselessly, and breathing continues ceaselessly; we are not conscious of it, but it is always going on.

Chichester, Richard of

*Day by day, dear, Lord,
Of thee three things I pray:
To see thee more clearly,
Love thee more dearly,
Follow thee more nearly,
Day by day.*

Chrysostom, Saint John

Prayer is...a treasure undiminished, a mine never exhausted, a sky unobstructed by clouds, a haven unruffled by storm. It is the root, the fountain, and the mother of a thousand blessings.

Clarke, Adam

Prayer requires more of the heart than of the tongue.

Daniels, David

Communion with God must be preceded by confession before God.

Dunnam, Maxie

Praying for people will bring you to love them. Loving people will bring you to serve them. Serving them will be the open door through which God can move in to save, heal and make whole.

Eddy, Sherwood

We can prove the reality of prayer only by praying

Ellul, Jacques

We still find it hard to believe today that prayer is more important than action.

Evans, Colleen Townsend

The right way to pray, then, is any way that allows us to communicate with God. For prayer is not a ritual; it is the soul's inherent response to a relationship with a loving Father.

Fenhagen, James C.

Prayer ... is not something added to our lives, something extra we do, but rather it is as fundamental to our lives as the act of breathing. It is through prayer that we are caught up in the rhythm and the energy of the kingdom that is amongst us and learn to see in a new way.

Finney, Charles

Prayer is an essential link in the chain of causes that leads to a revival, as much so as truth. Some have zealously used truth to convert men and laid very little stress on prayer. They have reached and talked and distributed tracts with great zeal and then wondered why they had so little success. The reason was that they forgot to use the other branch of the means, effectual prayer. They overlooked the fact that truth by itself will never produce the effect without the Spirit of God, and that the Spirit is given in answer to earnest prayer.

I am convinced . . . that nothing in the whole Christian religion is so rarely attained as a praying heart. Let me say again, if you lose your spirit of prayer, you will do nothing, or next to nothing, though you have the intellectual endowment of an angel.

Foster, Richard

Normally the aid of prayer and the aid of medicine should be pursued at the same time and with equal vigor, for both are gifts from God.

But when we pray, genuinely pray, the real condition of our heart is revealed; this is as it should be. This is when God truly begins to work with us. The adventure is just beginning.

Today the heart of God is an open would of love. He aches over our distance and preoccupation. He mourns that we do not draw near to him. He grieves that we have forgotten him. He weeps over our obsession with muchness and manyness. His arms are stretched out wide to receive us.

Prayer is incredibly simple. God answers prayer because his children ask.

Fuller, Thomas

Prayer should be the key of the day and the lock of the night.

Gordon, S.D.

Prayer is striking the winning blow; service is gathering up the results. You can do more than pray after you have prayed, but you cannot do more than pray until you have prayed.

The greatest thing anyone can do for God and man is to pray. It is the chief thing. The great people of the earth today are the people who pray. I do not mean those who talk about prayer nor those who say they believe in prayer; or yet those who can explain about prayer; but I mean those people who take time to pray.

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Graham, Billy

Prayer is the rope that pulls God and man together. But it doesn't pull God down to us: It pulls us up to him.

Graham, Ruth Bell

God has not always answered by prayers. If he had, I would have married the wrong men—several times.

Green, Michael

If we do things for God without praying, he cannot afford the risk of allowing us to succeed. For we would get proud and would be hardened in our conviction that activism, not dependence on God, is the way for Christians to serve the Lord.

Green, Steve

For the past several years I've been writing my prayers as though I'm writing a letter to God. Some days I'll begin with 'Dear Father': other days 'Gracious God'; sometimes simply 'Abba.' Then I talk to him, writing out my praises, confessions, and petitions. I've found writing my prayer letters keeps my thoughts focused. When I look back at times I'm most sane, when temporal things look temporal and eternal things look eternal, it's when I've been praying.

Guest, John

It is remarkable to think that God has given us a partnership with him in directing the course of human events. It is extraordinary to realize that our prayer can change events and circumstances in the world around us. But what is just as remarkable is that when we pray, we change. More often than not we become the answer to our own prayers as we open up ourselves to God in prayer.

Guy H. King

No one is a firmer believer in the power of prayer than the devil; not that he practices it, but he suffers from it.

Hadley, Norval

People we pray for are not saved because we have not really understood how terrible is their lostness. There will be no prevailing prayer at all until there is a sense of desperateness because of our great need.

Hallesby, O.

Prayer is for the helpless.

To pray is nothing more involved than to open the door, giving Jesus access to our needs and permitting him to exercise his own power in dealing with them.

To be a Christian without prayer is not more possible than to be alive without breathing.

Prayer is so rich and so mobile that all we have to do when we pray is point to the persons of things to which we desire to have this power applied, and He, the Lord of this power, will direct the necessary power to the desired place at once.

Henry, Matthew

Prayer is the key of the morning and the bolt of the evening,

Henry, Philip

Prayers not felt by us are seldom heard by God.

Hunter, W. Bingham

Prayer is communication from whole persons to the Wholeness which is the living God. Prayer is misunderstood until we see it this way.

Hybels, Bill

Someone has said, When we work, we work; when we pray, God works His supernatural strength is available to praying people who are convinced to the core of their beings that he can make a difference. Skeptics may argue that answered prayers are only coincidences, but as an English archbishop once observed "It's amazing how many coincidences occur when one begins to pray.

Imach, Jeffrey D.

Prayer is essentially the expression of our heart longing for love. It is not so much the listing of our listing of our requests but the breathing of our own deepest request, to be united with God as fully as possible.

Ingelow, Jean

I have lived to thank God that all my prayers have not been answered.

Jackson, Delma

All who have walked with God have viewed prayer as the main business of their lives.

Kelly, Thomas

Ask yourself: Am I down in the flaming center of God? Have I come into the deeps, where the soul meets with God and knows his love and power? Have I discovered God as a living Immediacy, a sweet Presence stirring life-renovating Power within me?

Jennings, Ben

Prayer is limitless because God is limitless. Prayer is alive because God is alive. Prayer is powerful because God has total power. Prayer results begin immediately because God is timeless.

Jerome, Saint

No measure of faith is preserved without prayer.

Kneeling Christian, The

A loving spirit is a condition of believing prayer. We cannot be wrong with man and right with God.

Do you realize there is nothing the devil dreads as much as prayer? His great concern is to keep us from praying. He loves to see us 'up to our eyes' in work—provided we do not pray. He does not fear if we are eager Bible students—provided we are little in prayer. Someone has wisely said, 'Satan laughs at our toiling, mocks at our wisdom, but trembles when we pray. Let us never forget that the greatest thing we can do for God or for men is to prayer.

Law, William

*There is nothing that makes us love a man so much as praying for him.
He who has learned to pray has learned the greatest secret of a holy and happy life.*

Lawrence, Brother

You need not cry very loud; He is nearer to us than we think.

Lewis, C.S.

Simply to say prayers is not to pray; otherwise a team of properly trained parrots would serve as well as men in prayer.

No one in his senses, if he has any power of ordering his own day, would reserve his chief prayers for bed time . . . obviously the most impossible hour for any action which needs concentration.

I still think the prayer without words is the best—if one can really achieve it . . . When the moments come, when God enables one really to pray without words, who but a fool would reject the gift?

It is quite useless knocking on the door of heaven for earthly comfort; it's not the sort of comfort they supply there.

LeFevre, George

Prayer is an end to isolation. It is living our daily life with someone; with him who alone can deliver us from solitude.

Lincoln, Abraham

In appreciation of prayer, President Abraham Lincoln wrote the following letter to Eliza Gurney, who had been praying for him: "I have not forgotten—probably never shall forget—the very impressive occasion when yourself and friends visited me on a Sabbath forenoon two years ago. Nor has your kind letter, written nearly a year later, ever been forgotten. In all, it has been your purpose to strengthen my reliance on God. I am much indebted to the good Christian people of the country for their constant prayers and consolations; and to no one of them, more than to yourself. The purposes of the Almighty are perfect, and must prevail, though we erring mortals may fail to accurately perceive them in advance... We shall yet acknowledge His wisdom and our own error therein. Meanwhile we must work earnestly in the best light He gives us."

I have been driven many times to my knees by the overwhelming conviction that I had no where else to go. My own wisdom, and that of all about me, seemed insufficient for the day.

Lindsay, Gordon

It is in recognizing the actual presence of God that we find prayer no longer a chore, but a supreme delight.

Lloyd-Jones, D. Martin

Everything we do in the Christian life is easier than prayer.

Lovelace, Richard

The minimal prayer accompanying many projects in the church may indicate that what is being undertaken is simply what human beings can accomplish pretty well by themselves."

Lucado, Max,

When God says to pray, he really means it. To pray is the most commonly mentioned command in Scripture. It is mentioned more than "love your neighbor," more than "go to church," and more than "evangelize." More than anything else, God calls us to pray.

Luther, Martin

I have to hurry all day to get time to pray.

Open your eyes and look into your life and the life of all Christians, particularly the spiritual estate, and you will find that faith, hope, love, obedience, chasteness, and all virtues are languishing; that all sorts of terrible vices are reigning; that good preachers and prelates are lacking; only rogues . . . are ruling. Then you will see that there is a need to pray throughout the world, every hour, without ceasing, with tears of blood, because of the terrible wrath of God over men.

Where are the people who want to know and to do good works? Let them only undertake prayer and practice it in true faith, and they will find that what the holy fathers have said is true: there is no greater work than praying.

To be a Christian without prayer is no more possible than to be alive without breathing.

I have so much to do (today) that I shall spend the first three hours in prayer.

In a typical day I am charged with the pastorate of three congregations. I teach regularly at the seminary. I have students living in my house. I am writing three books. Countless people write to me. When I start each day therefore, I make it a point to spend an hour in prayer with God. But, if I have a particularly busy day and am more rushed than usual, I make it a point to spend two hours with God before I start the day.

MacDonald, Gordon

We have only to consider the lives of biblical personalities to realize that almost everything they did of kingdom significance followed the exercise of serious prayer.

MacDonald, William

From the divine stand[point], it seems the Lord is especially willing to answer prayer when we put that prayer before our necessary food.

McCheyne, Robert Murray

If I could hear Christ praying for me in the next room, I would not fear a million enemies. Yet, distance makes no difference. He is praying for me.

McElroy, William T.

Nothing can so quickly cancel the friction of life as prayer. If you find yourself growing angry at someone, pray for him—anger cannot live in an atmosphere of prayer.

Manning, Brennan

Prayer is first and foremost an act of love.

Prayer is not primarily about gaining insight from the Word or having an intense emotional experience. It's primarily an act of love. Spending time with God might be dynamic one day, and I might fall asleep the next day. But showing up is an act of love.

Melanchthon, Philipp

Trouble and perplexity drive me to prayer and prayer drives away perplexity and trouble.

Merton, Thomas

And when God reveals himself to us in contemplation we must accept him as He comes to us, in His own obscurity, in His own silence, not interrupting Him with arguments or words, concentrations or activities that belong to the level of our own tedious and labored existence.

Meyer, F.B.

The great tragedy of life is not unanswered prayer but unoffered prayer.

Miller, Herb

You can always estimate a persons' spiritual depth by the breadth of their praying. If they are not doing much praying, you will not find God doing much in their life. The same is true of congregations. God will not work any miracles where people will not let him. And prayer is the primary tool by which he gets miracles done.

Milnes, Richard M.

They who have steeped their soul in prayer

Can every anguish calmly bear.

Moody, D.L.

I'd rather be able to pray than be a great preacher. Jesus Christ never taught his disciples how to preach, but only how to pray.

After we have made our requests known to him, our language should be, "Thy will be done." I would a thousands times rather that God's will should be done than my own.

More, Hannah

Prayer is not eloquence, but earnestness; not the definition of helplessness, but the feeling of it; not figures of speech, but earnestness of soul.

Morgan, G. Campbell

A woman asked G. Campbell Morgan, "Do you think we ought to pray about even the little things in life?" Dr. Morgan, in his typically understated British manner, replied, "Madam, can you think of anything in your life that is big to God?"

Murray, Andrew

It he continues his saving work . . .through it alone we can do all work and nothing avails without it....the power of the church truly to bless rests on intercession....asking and receiving heaven gifts to carry to men.

Wait on God as a living Being, as the living God who notices you, and who is longing to fill you. Wait on God till you know you have met him; prayer will then become so different.

The place and power of prayer in the Christian life is too little understood . . . As long as we look on prayer chiefly as the means of maintaining our own Christian life, we shall not know fully what it is meant to be. But when we learn to regard it as the highest part of the work entrusted to us, the root and

strength of all other work, we shall see that there is nothing that we so need to study and practice as the art of praying aright.

The Father waits to hear every prayer of faith, to give us whatsoever we will, and whatsoever we ask in Jesus' name. We have become so accustomed to limit the wonderful love and the large promises of our God, that we cannot read the simplest and clearest statements of our Lord without the qualifying clauses by which we guard and expound them. If there is one thing I think the Church needs to learn, it is that God means prayer to have an answer, and that it hath not entered into the heart of man to conceive what God will do for the child who gives himself to believe that his prayer will be heard.

Mueller, George

When once I am persuaded that a thing is right, I go on praying for it till the end comes. I never give up till the answer comes. The great fault of the children of God is that they do not continue in prayer. They do not persevere. If they desire anything for God's glory, they should pray until they get it."

Mueller, Walter A.

Prayer is not merely an occasional impulse to which we respond when we are in trouble: prayer is a life attitude.

Nee, Watchman

*Teach us to pray that we may cause
The enemy to flee,
That we his evil power may bind,
His prisoners to free.*

Owen, John

He who prays as he ought, will endeavor to live as he prays.

Pennington, Isaac

True prayer is not in the time, in the will, or in the power of the person praying. Rather, it is a gift of God that resides in his Spirit. It is not ours, but it is given to us. Therefore, it is ours to wait upon the Spirit, to wait for the Spirit to move and breathe in us, and to give us the ability to call upon the Father and give us the power of prevailing with the Father, in the name and through the life of the Son.

Pfaff, Nancy

There exists a tremendous reservoir of untapped prayer power in every church which can be affirmed, trained, and deployed to see the lost won, the apathetic revived, the "backslider" restored, and the committed made more effective.

Rinker, Rosalind

Prayer is a dialogue between two person who love each other.

Rutherford, Samuel

There are many heads resting on Christ's bosom, but there's room for yours there.

Ryle, J.C.

A man's state before God may always be measured by his prayers.

No time is so well spent every day as that which we spend upon our knees.

Sanders, J. Oswald

May I suggest that every now and again you check up and find out how often your prayers are only prayers of hope and not prayers of faith.

Sheets, Dutch

We are the womb of God upon the earth We do not generate life, but we release, through prayer, Him who does.

We don't wait well. We're into microwaving; God, on the other hand, is usually into marinating.

Silviso, Ed.

Prayer is the most tangible trace of eternity in the human heart.

Spurgeon, Charles

Because God is the living God, he can hear; because he is a loving God, he will hear; because he is our covenant God, he had bound himself to hear.

Prayer is the slender nerve that moves the muscle of omnipotence.

Believe me, if the church does not pray, it is dead. Instead of putting united prayer last, put it first.

Everything will hinge upon the power of prayer in the church.

Prayer pulls the rope down below and the great bell rings above in the ears of God. Some scarcely stir the bell for they pray so languidly; others give only an occasional jerk at the rope. But he who communicates with heaven is the man who grabs the rope boldly and pulls continuously with all his might.

The times of refreshing from the presence of the Lord have at last dawned upon our land. Everywhere there are signs of aroused activity and increased earnestness. A spirit of prayer is visiting our churches. The first breathe of the rushing mighty wind is already discerned while on the rising of evangelists, the tongue of fire has evidently descended.

On his knees, the believer is invincible.

Whether we like it or not, asking is the rule of the kingdom.

We ought not to tolerate for a minute the ghastly and grievous thought that God will not answer prayer. History, as manifested in Christ Jesus, demands it.

True prayers are like carrier pigeons; from heaven they came, they are only going home.

Stanley, Charles

Out of the billions of people who make up this universe, God is interested in you. He possesses intimate knowledge of you in His incomparable, indescribable mind. When you come to Him, you should draw near with a thankful heart, because you do not come in contact with a heavenly Father who speaks to the masses, but one who speaks to individuals.

Stott, John

It is only when Christ's words abide in us that our prayers will be answered. Then we can ask what we will and it shall be done, because we shall will only what He wills.

Tanksley, Perry

*For years each day he'd rise to pray;
And when in church, he'd bow his knee
And meekly say, "Dear God, it's Jim."
And when he'd leave, we could all see
God's holy presence walked with him.
As Jim grew old, the chastening rod
Of years left him so ill and drawn,
His path to church is now untrod;
But in his heart each day at dawn
He hears the words, "Dear Jim, it's God."*

Taylor, J. Hudson

Do not work so hard for Christ that you have no strength to pray, for prayer requires strength.

I used to ask God to help me. Then I asked if I might help him. I ended up asking Him to do His work through me.

The power of prayer has never been tied to its full capacity. If we want to see mighty wonders of divine power and grace wrought in the place of weakness, failure, and disappointment, let us answer God's standing challenge, "Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not!"

All God's giants have been weak people who did great things for God because they reckoned on His being with them.

Taylor, Jeremy

Prayer is the peace of our spirit, the stillness of our thoughts, the evenness of our recollection, the sea of our meditation, the rest of our cares and the calm of our tempest.

Teresa, Mother

Prayer enlarges the heart until it is capable of containing God's gift of himself. Ask and seek, and your heart will grow big enough to receive him and keep him as your own.

Teresa of Avila, Saint

Prayer doesn't consist of thinking a great deal, but of loving a great deal.

Ten Boom, Corrie

Don't pray when you feel like it. Have an appointment with the Lord and keep it.

Is prayer your steering wheel or your spare tire?

Teykl, Terry

Prayer is an engraved invitation for the Holy Spirit to come.

Torrey, R.A.

Real praying is a costly exercise but it pays far more than it costs. It is not easy work but it is most profitable of all work. We can accomplish more by time and strength put into prayer than we can by putting the same amount of time and strength into anything else.

Tournier, Paul

Prayer constantly enlarges our horizon and our person. It draws us out of the narrow limits within which our habits, our past, and our whole personage confine us.

Trueblood, Elton

At the profoundest depths in life, men talk not about God, but with God.

Vander Griend, Al

If family worship is neglected, other attempts at prayer are like sprinkling the foliage of a plant while leaving the roots dry.

As we listen to others pray, we learn from them things that will strengthen our own prayer lives.

It is in private prayer that we most easily get in touch with our spiritual selves.

A vital prayer life in your church leadership is one of the most important indications of your congregation's spiritual life.

The more we pray. The more our horizons expand and the more we come to expect from a supernatural, miracle-working God.

van Zeller, Hubert

A lot of the trouble about prayer would disappear if we only realized—really realized, and not just supposed that it were so—that we go to pray not because we love prayer, but because we love God.

Vaughn, Harold

Churches are dying on their feet because they're not living on their knees. Today we have the worst of sins in the best of churches.

Vianney, John

The interior life is like a sea of love in which the soul is plunged and ism, and is, as it were, drowned in love. Just as a mother holds her child's face in her hands to cover it with kisses, so does God hold the devout man.

Vincent de Paul, Saint

We should spend as much time in thanking God for his benefits as we do in asking him for them.

Wallace, John Aikman

Prayer moves the hand that moves the world.

Wagner, C. Peter

We are now in the beginning stages of the greatest movement of prayer in living memory.

Walker, Alan

Prayer is the most difficult and costly activity of the Christian.

Washington, George

I now make it my earnest prayer that God . . . would be pleased to dispose us all to do justice, to love mercy, and to demean ourselves with charity and humility, and a pacific temper of mind, which were characteristics of the Divine author of our blessed Religion, and without humble invitation of whose example in these things, we can never hope to be a happy nation.

Wesley, John

God will do nothing but in answer to prayer.

Pray, just as you are led, without reasoning, in all simplicity. Be a little child, hanging on him that loves you.

White, Tom

Prayer is not getting what I want from God—it is God's ordaining means of giving to me what he wants.