



## Chapter 6:5-15

- Matt. 6:5 “And when you pray, you shall not be like the hypocrites. For they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the corners of the streets, that they may be seen by men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward.
- Matt. 6:6 But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly.
- Matt. 6:7 And when you pray, do not use vain repetitions as the heathen do. For they think that they will be heard for their many words.
- Matt. 6:8 “Therefore do not be like them. For your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him.
- Matt. 6:9 In this manner, therefore, pray:
- Our Father in heaven,  
Hallowed be Your name.
- Matt. 6:10 Your kingdom come.  
Your will be done  
On earth as it is in heaven.
- Matt. 6:11 Give us this day our daily bread.
- Matt. 6:12 And forgive us our debts,  
As we forgive our debtors.
- Matt. 6:13 And do not lead us into temptation,  
But deliver us from the evil one.  
For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.
- Matt. 6:14 “For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you.
- Matt. 6:15 But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

## Observations & Discussion

1. Why are the prayers that Jesus describes in vs. 7 ineffective? Can you list any examples of Christians praying these kinds of prayers today?

2. Back to vss. 7 & 8: Did Jesus mean you are never to pray the same prayer more than once? Give a Biblical example to support your view.

3. In vs. 9 Jesus said, *"In this manner, therefore, pray..."* yet interestingly we have no record in Acts or any of the New Testament epistles where the disciples prayed the words recorded in verses 9-13! Why do you think that is?

4. Do Jesus' instructions in verses 14 & 15 mean that your salvation is contingent upon you forgiving others? Back up your answer with a scripture.