

When You Pray:
 Jesus' Prayer Do's and Don'ts
 Matthew 6.5-8

Prayer was important to Jesus. He spent time in prayer, exhorted His disciples to pray, and taught about prayer. Prayer is important to us too. This summer we'll focus on Jesus' prayer in the Sermon on the Mount – *The Lord's Prayer*, but really *a disciple's prayer*. But first let's hear Jesus' *do's and don'ts* for when you pray.

1. *Go into your inner room*: Pray in secret.

- The perils of public prayer

- The power of private prayer

2. *Don't use meaningless repetition*: Talk to God.

- The fallacy of showy prayer

- The faith of sincere prayer

My Prayer Diary for This Week

| Praises/Thanks | Requests/Answers |
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| Monday | |
| Tuesday | |
| Wednesday | |
| Thursday | |
| Friday | |
| Saturday | |

