

Authentic Prayer: Foundations of Prayer

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Scripture

- **Hebrews 11:6**

And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

Other Scriptures

- Romans 5:9
- Hebrews 4:16
- Genesis 3:7-8
- Luke 7:47
- 2 Corinthians 12:7-9
- I Thessalonians 5:17
- 2 Corinthians 1:8-9

Main Points

1. Authentic Prayer begins by faith.
2. To believe that God hears you, creates a momentum to enter into communication with God.
3. Authentic prayer:
 - a. begins with faith
 - b. is authentic
 - c. is transparent with God
 - d. surrenders to His Lordship
4. Authentic prayer is when we are being real with God.
5. We can come boldly to God just as we are, because of the blood of Jesus.
6. The Hebrew word HaShem means The Name.
7. The Hebrew name YHWH is pronounced Yud Hei Vav Hei (Yahweh) and means in English, LORD.
8. The only way to get healed is to let the Lord meet you right where you are.
9. God's power is perfected in our weakness.
10. The challenge that you have can be turned into a gift from God.
11. Whatever you are struggling with in life, **talk to God about it**. He is with you in it.
12. Jesus is standing at the door of our hearts and he's knocking.

Discussion Questions

1. What is authentic prayer? What is the starting point of authentic prayer?
2. Faith in God creates momentum for us to do what?
3. Can we really talk to God in the midst of our sin? What Scripture speaks to this idea and to your heart about speaking to God in the midst of our worst states of mind and being?
4. When we are not connected to God, what are our natural inclinations? How can we be transparent, even in our sin and shame?
5. What is the only way to healing and cleansing and victory over the very sin and shame that seems to bind us?
6. How is our weakness linked to God's glory being shown in our lives?
7. How is Satan defeated in your life by running to God in prayer in the very weaknesses and failures and challenges we experience?
8. What are some truths from today's teaching that will aid you to more authenticity in your prayer life with your Father? Why not speak to Him right now about these things?