

Date: January 25, 2026
Series: Walking in Wisdom
Title: The Wisdom and Joy of Prayer
Text: Hebrews 4:14-16



INTRODUCTION

(Mark 10:43b-45 and Mark 1:35)

Note: The path to prayer that pleases God is paved not with guilt and shame, but with JOY!

I. THRONE OF GRACE

(Romans 6:23; Romans 3:23; Hebrews 4:14-16; 1 John 2:1)

A. We draw near to a THRONE!

1) Our Father sits on a THRONE; so we come in joy, reverence, and awe before Him!

(Judges 13:9; Psalm 8:3-4; 1 Peter 5:7)

2) Our Father always knows best; we come not to change Him, but to be changed by Him!

(Matthew 6:9-13)

B. We draw near to a THRONE OF GRACE!

1) Our feeble, scattered, ineloquent, and poorly phrased prayers WILL BE heard!

(Matthew 6:7-8; Romans 8:26-27)

2) Our Father will always answer, doing what is BEST for our good and for His glory!

(Matthew 7:7-11; Hebrews 4:16)

Questions for Further Study, Reflection, and Application...

1. What hinders or prevents you from delighting in the privilege of prayer?
2. How can you encourage “small” moments of prayer throughout your day?
3. Have you ever considered writing out some of your prayers in a prayer journal?
4. What is the connection between Bible reading/study and prayer?
5. Who is someone (or several people) you can pray with this week?