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I PRAY SIX KINDS, OF PRAYERS TO A SEVEN SIDED GOD

Ps. 102:24-27

I. Even before talking of 6 kinds of prayer to a 7 multi-sided God, there are some preparatory things to be said about prayer.
A. Perhaps as Murch did in his book "Teach Me to Pray" we could call it preludes to prayer. Preparatory to prayer we need:
1. Time & place.

(a) Everything worthwhile takes time.
 (1) Sister Darnall had to leave early to do the rolls for the Mars Hill

cafeteria.

(2) We "take time to be holy".

(3) Do we have God in our daily schedule?

(a) Clips on Work Addiction.

(4) Could communion c God mean more than food, drink, recreation?

(5) Our Lord gave whole nites to praye(b) Jesus had a place.

Lu. 22 ; 39 "And went as he was want hu 22: 40 And when he was at the p.
(1) Have you a place as well as time for prayer?

(2) What is yours in time & place?2. Needs to be an attitude.

(a) Orientals had rugs, kneeled, kissed ground between petitions.

(b) Jesus said little about such - we bow, kneel, stand.

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- (c) Reverence is our primary concern.
 - (1) Moses took off shoes. Exo. 3

(2) John fell as dead.

Rev. 1:17 "fell at his ft. as tho dead (d) Do we show humility, love, thanksgivi 3. We need quietness.

Ps. 46:10 "Be still & know that I am Matt. 26:36 "Sit ye here, while I go & p

- 4. We need full surrender search c allest Jer. 29:13 'Ye shall seek me & find me
 - (a) Half hearted men do not succeedbusiness or marriage!
- 5. Pray in faith.

Dan. 10:12 "Fear not, Daniel for from Ps. 63:7 "Because there has been

- (a) Lit. "give us today our dole of bread" just enuf for today.
- (b) Do we trust granary of God less than markets of the world?

B. Are these preludes yours:

- 1. Time & place.
- 2. Proper attitude.
- 3. Quietness.
- 4. Full surrender.

5. Faith to expect.

II. With this prelude I talk to a 7 sided God.

A. The Lord is real - alive - personable.

1. He is a living being.

John 4:4 God is a spirit of They That w. Jer. 10:10 But the hord is the true; living; 2. He is all powerful.

Jer. 32:17 "Behold thou hast made the he Jer. 32:27 "I am the Lord, the God of al Rine con Job 42:2 "I know that thou canst do ever Matt. 19:26 "With God all things are pos 3. He knows all. Frifour hearts condemn us

I Jn. 3:20 ''God knoweth all things' we''s Ps. 147:4-5 ''Great is our Lord, & of gr infinite Rom. 11:33 ''O the depth of the riches unseenth God is all-holy & righteous. both w. 4K.

I Jn. 1:5 'God is light, & in him is no (a) Because He is holy & righteous he can will to me only that which is for my good.

(b) He'll never make me drunk!

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- 5. God's ever present whithers shall I go tom Ps. 139:7-10 thy spirit or " " Ha private Acts 17:24-28 they should seek The Lord, if
- 6. He's everlasting haply they might feel after Isa. 40:28 "The everlasting God, the Lo Ps. 102:24-27 hou at the same of Thy
- 7. <u>He's my Father</u>. yezrs have no end (a) He hears, loves, & acts for me.
 - (b) Illustrate with Jowett & electricity card.

card. B. Is God to you: 3. All Knowledge 7. Fither 1. A real being 5. Even present 2. All powerful 6. Events fing 3. All knowledgeable

4. All holy

5. Ever present

6. Everlasting

7. Your Father

III. To this 7 Sided God I Offer Kinds of Prayer

A. I share in these types of prayers:

1. Personal

(a) Intimate & alone

(b) Hannah prayed I Sam. 1, 2 ElKonoh, hevite, pologywist, Vet worshipped regularly Priest of Eli bad yet his worship pure. Honnah got the worship portion Penninach provoked her sorely H. had intense desire for children - pray & vow Wented a boy - to serve God. Eli a coused her of drinking - apobgized c God grant. H. prayed: Horn (put on torchead to hold wil - listed up when woman had child) is mention in Bible of Messiah (Anointed)

2. Intercessory Prayer

(a) This is prayer for others - born of unselfishness.

(1) Lon Elkins called when his boy died Eph. 6:18 'Supplications for all sts. I Tim. 2:1 'I exhort therefore that James 5116 Pray one for another
(b) We can do this because Christ has made us kings & priests.

Rev. 1:6 And hoth made us Kings & Du. (c) For whom do you feel prayers should be raised:

5.

1. Sinners

2. Governments

3. Righteous causes

4. Missions

5. Peace

6.2nd Coming

3. Secret prayer enter into Thy closet" shut Matt. 6:6 "But thou, when thou prayest

(a) Christ went to desert (deserted place) "apart".

(b) Privacy, like in a doctor's office, give many advantages.

(c) E. M. Bounds card.

4. Cooperative Prayer

Matt. 18:19-20 "If 2 of you shall agree

(a) We need each other. Pon't let przy bc

(b) Agreement is necessary. Selfish - if mine c) Anna had help. Ins. Inother is disposinted

(d) So did Peter & John. God give vietory Acts 3:1

(e) And Paul. Jesus not the slow Acts 13:-1-2 numbers.

5. Family prayer

(a) Job prayed believing "God blesseth the habitation of the just."

- (b) Jer. startles with
 - Jer. 10:25 "Pour out thy fury... upon t
- (c) Neglect prayer life & you find path of sin.
- (d) Bride & groom must.
- (e) Children need to see.
- (f) Jesus meets c 2 or 3.
- 6. Public prayer
 - (a) It has restrictions.

Matt. 6:7 "Use not vain...much speak Acts 2:42 Continued stedfastly

B. Do you share:

Personal, Intercessory, Secret, Cooperative, Family, & Public Prayer?

2hest End 5-17-70, 5-24-70, 6-7-70

A pious but cranky old lady who lived alone was greatly annoyed because her neighbors forgot to ask her to go on their picnic. On the morning of the event they suddenly realized their affront and sent a little boy to ask her to come along.

"It's too late now," she snapped "I've already prayed for rain." - Thigpen's Hardware News.



J. H. Jowett:

"I am told there is electricity in the house. I go into a room where it is said to be available and yet the room is in darkness. Where is it? Then I'm told that an action of mine, quite a simple one, is required. So I bring my will into play and I push a button or lift a tiny lever. My action completes the circuit and the subtle energy leaps into the filament and turns my darkness into light. So it is when I seek the holy sanctifying power of God, my prayer completes the circuit between my soul and God and I receive whatever the inexhaustible fountain of grace is always willing to bestow."

E. M. Bounds:

"The prayer chamber conserves our relation to God. It hems every raw edge; it tucks up every flowing and entangling garment; it girds up every fainting loin. The sheet anchor holds not the ship more surely and safely than the prayer chamber holds to God. Satan has to break our hold on, and close up our way to the prayer chamber, ere he can break our hold on God or close up our way to heaven."