

- I. Prayer is conversation with God.
- II. The address of the Lord's Prayer is the foundation of prayer that teaches us how to approach God in our prayers.

Conversing with Our Father

I. Conversing with Whom

A. Our Father, with whom we converse in prayer, is the Triune God: Father, Son, and HS.

1. In the NT, the Triune nature of God becomes explicit, as we read in Matt. 28:19.

2. The truth of the Trinity is the very basis of prayer.

B. The Triune God is our Father!

1. God is our Father and we His children because of adoption. What is included in adoption?

2. What does this mean for prayer?

3. Application for bad family life or hurts in relationships.

II. Conversing How

A. We speak to God with confidence when we pray through the Son and in the Holy Spirit.

1. This confidence in prayer comes by the faith the Holy Spirit works in us (Rom. 8:14-16)

2. We have this confidence in prayer because Jesus Christ is our mediator.

3. Let us pray to our Father in this confidence.

B. We converse with our Father in reverence because He is a Father to be honored, revered, and worshiped.

1. Some have translated "Abba" in Romans 8 as Daddy or Papa. But this is not the right way to approach God.

2. In our prayers, we must remember that we are to stand in awe of Him.