

Introduction

- I. Why do we pray? Jesus teaches us why we pray in the conclusion to the Lord's Prayer.
- II. When we pray, we enter into the presence of God to converse with Him in response to His word of grace and love to us.

Why We Pray

I. Dependence

- A. He is a God Who is willing to give us all good and is able to give us all good.
 1. In His love for His people, God has made us citizens of His kingdom.
 2. But we are also dependent on His power. He is able to give us all good.
 3. We need to take these words to heart and notice them because we would twist them.
- B. We pray to God because we are dependent on Him and we are helpless.

II. Worship

- A. In this closing doxology, Jesus teaches us to leave God's presence with loving awe.
- B. When we pray in this way and with this focus, prayer becomes a springboard for living the rest of our lives in worship.

III. Assurance

- A. The word "amen" teaches us to end our prayers with assurance.
- B. What a fitting conclusion to our consideration of God's truth summarized in the HC.