

Reflections
Part IV; March 10, 2019

“Praying Like Jesus”

To pray like Jesus, let your prayers:

Be an Example to others.

Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, **teach us to pray**, as John taught his disciples.” – Luke 11:1 (ESV)

Be focused on the Moment not the Words.

“And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. Do not be like them, **for your Father knows what you need before you ask him**.
– Matthew 6:7-8 (ESV)

Be Honest but Yielding.

‘Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. **Nevertheless, not my will, but yours**, be done.’
– Luke 22:42 (ESV)

Be Constant.

Pray without ceasing. – 1 Thessalonians 5:17 (ESV)

Jesus went out **as usual** (to pray), and his disciples followed him. – Luke 22:39 (NIV)

Be a Conversation.

Call to me and I will answer you. – Jeremiah 33:3 (ESV)

Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be **quick to hear**, slow to speak, slow to anger.
– James 1:19 (ESV)

Be Expectant.

Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, “Father, I thank you that you have **heard me**. I know that you always hear me.
– John 11:41-42 (ESV)

Do not be anxious about anything, **but in everything by prayer**... let your requests be made known to God. **And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus**.
– Philippians 4:6-7 (ESV)