



LIVING OUT A GENUINE FAITH IN A FALLEN WORLD WEEK 3 - PASTOR GREG HACKETT

Main Scripture - MATTHEW 6:5-15

v5 “And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full.

v6 But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

v7 And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words.

v8 Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

v9 “This, then, is how you should pray: “Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

v10 your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

v11 Give us today our daily bread.

v12 And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

v13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.’

v14 For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you.

v15 But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

Additional Scripture

Acts 19:34

Main Points

1. Defining Hypocritical Prayer
2. In Prayer, God is the Audience
3. Repetitious Prayer is Meaningless
4. Genuine Prayer Has Pure Motives
5. Effective Prayer Stays Focused on God

Discussion Questions

1. What was your takeaway from the message?
2. If God already knows what we need before we ask, how should this affect our transparency with God in prayer?
3. Why has the teaching on “forgive us as we have forgiven others” have such little understanding in the Christian faith?