

Maintaining a Prayer Life

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Maintaining a life of prayer is essential to overcoming spiritual dryness and finding comfort and guidance in God.

Scripture: Psalm 34:18, Isaiah 44:3, Jeremiah 29:12-13, Matthew 11:28-30, Romans 8:1, Philippians 4:6-7, 1 Thessalonians 5:17, Hebrews 4:16, James 5:16, 1 John 1:9

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Description

David Wilkerson emphasizes the necessity of maintaining a prayer life to combat spiritual dryness, urging believers to come to God despite feelings of guilt and condemnation. He reassures that God invites us to approach Him boldly, promising forgiveness and comfort for our burdens. Wilkerson highlights the futility of seeking solutions outside of prayer, reminding us that true refreshment comes from spending time in God's presence. He encourages believers to open their hearts to God, sharing their struggles and fears, as nothing can replace the power of prayer. Ultimately, he points to Isaiah 44:3, illustrating God's promise to pour out His Spirit on those who seek Him.

Transcript

I must maintain a life of prayer in order to overcome spiritual dryness. Why is it that none of us pray as we should? We know that our burdens can all be lifted when we are shut in with him. The voice of the Holy Spirit keeps calling us to prayer, "Come!"

Come to the water that satisfies that soul thirst. Come to the Father, who pities his children. Come to the Lord of life, who promises to forgive every sin committed. Come to the One who refuses to condemn you or forsake you or hide from you.

We may try to hide from God because of guilt and condemnation but he never hides from us. Come boldly to his throne of grace, even when you have sinned and failed. He instantly forgives those who repent with godly sorrow. You don't have to spend hours and days in remorse and guilt or earn your way back into his good graces. Go to the Father, bend your knees, open your heart, and cry out your agony and pain. Tell him about your loneliness, feelings of isolation, fears, and failures.

We try everything except prayer. We read books, looking for formulas and guidelines. We go to friends, ministers, and counselors, looking everywhere for a word of comfort or advice. We seek mediators and forget the one Mediator who has the answer to everything.

Nothing dispels dryness and emptiness more quickly than an hour or two shut in with God. Nothing can take the place of praying to the Father in that secluded secret closet. That is the solution to every dry spell.

"For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour my spirit upon thy seed, and my blessing upon thine offspring" (Isaiah 44:3).

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