

What the Bible says

Lesson 18

1. Mark the correct statements:

- Any prayer mentioning "god" is acceptable to the true God.
- Only prayers in Jesus' name are acceptable to the true God.
- Praying the Rosary to Mary is an acceptable form of prayer.
- The prayers of most Lodges must be condemned because they are not spoken to the Triune God, but to a "god" in general.
- Only a Christian can pray in a God-pleasing way because he knows the Triune God and prays in Jesus' name.
- Prayer is something best reserved for real crisis and emergency situations.
- When it comes to the spiritual blessings God has definitely promised, a Christian may ask without any conditions in his prayers.
- When it comes to earthly blessings we must always add to our prayers the condition: "Your will, not mine, be done."
- Kneeling is a Roman Catholic custom and forbidden in Lutheran churches.
- God will answer every prayer at once. If He doesn't, you may not really be a Christian.

2. Choose the correct statement in each pair:

- Prayer is a Means of Grace by which God forgives our sins.
- Prayer is a talk with God in which we pour out our hearts to Him.
- God always gives the best answers to our prayers, even though it may not be the answer we expect.
- God will always answer according to the demands we have made in our prayers.
- Prayers ought to be made only for those close to us.
- Prayers ought to be made for all people, even our enemies.
- Christians and Christian families will want to pray together especially at mealtimes and in church services.
- Prayer is such a private matter that we should never bring it into our family life or pray in public.

3. Find a passage in the lesson which teaches:

- a. That private prayer is better than praying to "show-off" your piety: _____
- b. That whatever we ask, we should pray firmly believing that God will answer: _____
- c. That the saints in heaven (departed Christians) cannot hear us: _____
- d. That group prayer is God-pleasing: _____
- e. That we should always be in communication with God: _____
- f. That it does no good to pray for the souls of the dead: _____
- g. That saying a prayer over and over again without thinking will not please God: _____
- h. That God especially invites us to call out to Him in trouble: _____

4. Which prayer did Jesus teach His disciples to follow as a "model"? _____