

## Consider the following prayer format;

This format leads you into how you should approach and enter into God's presence in prayer and how you leave. When in prayer, speak to God genuinely from your heart. It does not have to be eloquent or like someone else. However, there are a few components of prayer listed in this format that will help its effectiveness. Look up each text so you can understand its meaning.

### Prayer Format

1. Start your Prayer in the name of Jesus. **John 14:13-14**. When we pray in His name, we remove ourselves from the equation and present our prayers by His name sake. This gets God's attention.  
**Father God I come to you in the name of Jesus....**
2. Enter you prayer time by asking for forgiveness first. **1st John 1**/ this positions you before God humbly and correctly.  
**You see my life, and I sense your convicting me about .....please forgive me in Jesus name. Help and strengthen me in this area**
3. Enter your prayer with thanksgiving. **Psalm 100:4** Pause and recognize all that God has already done and provided for you and expresses your gratitude for them.  
**Thank you for.....Father I praise you for .....And I bless you for .....**
4. Present your concerns and petitions to God. **Philippians 4:6**  
**Please help me with ..... And bless.....and move in .....and lead me in.....**
5. Pray the word; **1st John 5:14** / we are in a blood covenant. Find the answer to your concerns in the covenant or God's word; then bring the problem and the word to God. **Isaiah 43:26**  
**Father you said in your word.....**
6. Pray in faith: **Mark 11:19-24** / Faith focuses on what God says opposed to what you see.  
**Farther, I thank you for hearing my prayers and I believe your word in Jesus name**
7. Pause to listen in prayer. **Habakkuk 2:1** / Prayer is communicating with God. Always be in a listening posture by pausing to listen.  
**Lord, I am here, thank you for leading and speaking to me, I am listening.....**
8. End prayer with thanksgiving and praise as an act of faith and gratefulness: **Philippians 4:6**  
Faith calls it done; so, we thank Him in advance. It's not about what you see, but your faith.  
**Father, thank you for all that you have done and are doing in my life.....**  
**I lift you up and praise you! You alone are worthy of all praise and worship!**

### Commit to developing a daily prayer life.

Choose to pray and create an environment that invites God's presence in your prayer time.

- Uninterrupted quite – Set you self apart from everything. You want a quite environment
- Focusing on God – Shut things down, you want to focus completely on God
- Music – You can began and end your prayer session with worship music. It sets the tone.