

Doctrinal Studies

The Principles of Grace in Prayer

1. The believer in prayer approaching the Throne of Grace must be compatible with the name of the area where prayer is received. It is called the Throne of Grace; all prayer must be compatible with grace.
2. Grace is the policy of the integrity of God in the imputation of blessing from the justice of God to the righteousness of God indwelling the believer. The Grace Pipeline starts with God and ends at the believer. On God's end is one-half of His holiness: justice. At the believer's end is the other half: God's imputed righteousness. We pray on the basis of God's righteousness imputed to us, and the answer comes from God's justice.
3. Prayer is a privilege; it is the function of the Royal Priesthood. It is, therefore, a powerful weapon in the hands of the believer who resides inside the Divine Dynasphere.
4. Since grace is the principle of prayer, no believer can petition for himself or make intercession for others on the basis of human merit, ability, morality, production, service, or spiritual gifts.
5. Every believer approaches the Throne of Grace on the basis of the merits of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is also our Great High Priest.
6. While the Father is propitiated with the work of the Lord Jesus Christ on the cross, He is no respecter of persons as far as believers are concerned. Therefore we must approach God the Father in prayer from inside the Divine Dynasphere.
7. Our Lord, during the first advent, had maximum effectiveness in His prayer life because He resided continually in the prototype Divine Dynasphere. He offered every prayer from His humanity to God the Father from there.
8. The believer outside the Divine Dynasphere is not only weak, but also has no effectiveness in prayer.
9. Remember that God will not answer prayer on the basis of the believer being good, moral, sincere, benevolent, religious, concerned, talented, altruistic, or because of his pleasing personality.
10. Answer to prayer is a divine decision-therefore the believer's popularity with others is never a factor in answered prayer.