

# MATTHEW

October 24, 2021

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## QUESTIONS for REFLECTION

1. Identify two misuses or misunderstandings of prayer (vv. 5, 7).
2. What advantage or benefit is derived from the atmosphere of prayer described in v. 6?
3. What is the impact of v. 8 on your prayer life?
4. Reflect on the privilege you have in calling upon God as “Our Father” (v. 9). (How does this impact or influence your prayer life?)
5. What are the three God-oriented concerns in prayer (vv. 9b, 10)? What does each mean or say to you? (Why are these so important?)
  - (1)
  - (2)
  - (3)

6. What are the three man-oriented, or personal, concerns in prayer (vv. 11-13)? What does each say to you? (Why are these so important?)

(1)

(2)

(3)

7. Why is forgiving others so significant (vv. 12, 14-15)? What is the most difficult aspect of putting this into practice?

8. What is most beneficial to you in this teaching from Jesus on prayer?

### **PERSONAL RESPONSE**

I will set aside a time and place for prayer this week by . . .

I will focus on God's interests in prayer this week by . . .

I will adjust my needs in prayer this week by . . .