

POWERFUL PRAYER

PRAYER = HOLY GROUND!

- Ps 145:18 “The Lord is near to all who call upon Him in truth.”
- Ps 34:15 “His ears are open to their cries.”

PRAY GREAT PRAYERS!



***STEPPING INTO . . .
GREATNESS***

Think Great Thoughts



STEPPING IN TO . . .
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Pursue Great People

Think Great Thoughts



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**GREAT PEOPLE
PRAY GREAT
PRAYERS!**

Welcome from the Kirkland church family!

“Born to belong to each other”



September 8, 2013

Welcome to our new members!



Dave and Gwen DeFrank

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Troy Shirah

Tonight at 5:00 p.m.



Daniel and Nick will role play



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God's Phone number!

- **Jeremiah 33:3**
“Call to me and I will answer!”



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What would GREAT
PRAYERS look like?

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- NOT BASED UPON LENGTH
 - Model prayer = 67 Words!
 - Jesus: Matt 6:7 “But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking.”

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- NOT BASED UPON ELOQUENCE
 - “In prayer it is better to have heart without words than words without heart.”

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Five Characteristics

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- GREAT PRAYERS ARE DEEPLY PERSONAL.
 - Ps 42:1 “As the deer pants....”
 - Ps 27:4 “One thing I desired...to behold the beauty of the Lord and **to inquire in His temple.**”

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- Apostle Paul – Phil 3:8-10
- “I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of *knowing* Christ Jesus *my Lord*.”

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- Jesus – Jn 17:3 “This is eternal life that they may **know** *You* and Me whom you have sent!”
- Key: ***RELATIONSHIP.***
- Lk 11:2 “Our *Father.*”
 - Lit. Abba = *papa*
 - Gal 4:6 “As *sons* we can cry out ‘Abba Father!’”

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- **GREAT PRAYERS ARE GROUNDED IN *BROKENNESS***
- Neh 1:4-11 Awesome Prayer
 - God referred to 44 times!
- Parable of the Pharisee and the Publican in Lk 18:10-14.

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- The Model Prayer = Balance!

"Our Father"



"Hallowed is your Name."

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- **GREAT PRAYERS SEEK GOD'S AGENDA.**
 - Prayer for ourselves = supplication.
 - Prayer for others = intercession.
 - I Tim 2:1 “I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men.”

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- Consider Moses: “Why allow the Egyptians to speak, and say, 'He brought them out to harm them, to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth’” (Ex 32:12)? NKJV
- **Moses champions what is in the best interest of God; not himself!**

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PRAYER IS NOT ULTIMATELY
ABOUT GETTING MY WILL
DONE IN HEAVEN, BUT
GOD'S WILL DONE IN ME!

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- **GREAT PRAYERS TAKE GOD SERIOUSLY**
- **PROMISE CENTERED AND NOT PROBLEM CENTERED.**
- **The Promises have **SUBSTANCE.****

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- Promise: Phil 4:19
- Promise: II Cor 12:9
- Promise: Phil 4:13
- Promise: Matt 28:20

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- Paul prayed:
 - Phil 1:6 “He who began a good work in you will perfect it”
 - Col 1:9-13 “Filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding so you will walk in a manner pleasing to the Lord. .”

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- **GREAT PRAYERS DEMAND GREAT COURAGE!**
 - The answer may be you!!
 - Queen Esther: Esther 4:14
 - Nehemiah: Neh 1:11
 - The answer must be God's will and not ours!

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- **Jesus:** Matt 26:39 "O My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as You will."
- **Model prayer:** "Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven."

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