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# Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven

## "MOTIVATION MATTERS"

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**TEXT:** Matthew 6:1, 5-8 (ESV)

**THE REASON FOR THIS SERIES:** To instill confidence or to stir up a renewed passion for personal prayer.

Jesus gives us two diagnostics for checking our motivation:

1. Check your heart motivation (vv. 1, 5-6).

**QUESTION TO ASK YOURSELF:** Whose name is being glorified in my prayers?

**QUESTION TO ASK YOURSELF:** Whose reward do I seek?

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2. Check your theological motivation (vv. 7-8).

**GOOD NEWS:** You do not have to impress or coerce God with your words.

**QUESTION TO ASK YOURSELF:** Why do I need to pray if God already knows my need?

### 4 QUICK REASONS:

- 1) To express and build my faith in Him.
- 2) To express and build my love for Him.
- 3) To actively participate in His redemptive work.
- 4) To receive direction for my life.

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**CHALLENGE FOR THIS WEEK:** At least one time this week, go to an inner room and pray.

