

and power unto his people. Blessed be God” (Ps. 68:35).

4. “Thus said the Lord the King of Israel, and his redeemer the Lord of hosts; I am the first, and I am the last; beside me there is no God” (Isa. 44:6).
5. “The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise him” (Ps. 28:7).
6. “Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy good pleasure they are and were created” (Rev. 4:11).

This list could go on and on. There are many verses in the Bible that reveal unto us God’s wonderful nature. A casual reading of the Psalms will provide a host of phrases one can use to glorify the Father in prayer.

When one finishes praising God’s nature, he can lift Him up by means of His numerous titles. Let’s list just a few of the “Father” titles that God possesses: 1) Living Father (John 6:57); 2) Righteous Father (John 17:25); 3) Father of glory (Eph. 1:15-21); 4) Father of lights (James 1:27); 5) Father of mercies (Gen. 19:16); and 6) Father of spirits (Heb. 12:9). These six names barely touch the hem of the garment when it comes to the names and titles that God has. He is the “Ancient of Days” (Dan. 7:9-10). He is the “Fountain of Living Waters” (Jer. 2:13). He is the “Judge of all the earth” (Gen. 18:25). He is a “consuming fire” (Deut. 4:24). In his book, A Survey of the Names of God, Ernest Verify lists over 300 names and descriptive phrases that pertain to God our Father.

God’s works can also be involved in our prayers of praise. He created the heavens and the earth and all that in them is in six days (Exo. 20:11). He delivered Israel from the cruel hands of Pharaoh (Exo. 19:4). He has performed mighty wonders and miracles and signs (Ps. 77:14). He has often judged the nations (Isa. 2:4). He providentially provides for the basic needs of all upon the earth (Acts 14:17). He gave His precious Son to die for the sins of all mankind (Heb. 2:9).

Prayers do not have to be lifeless repetitions. Our opening lines can be littered with statements of praise to the God of heaven. We can praise His names. We can praise His nature. We can praise His works. Let us be as the psalmist, who said: “I will greatly praise the Lord with my mouth; yea, I will praise him among the multitude” (Ps. 109:30).

BIBLE TRIVIA

The answer to last week’s Trivia is: Stephen’s (Acts 8:1)
Who was put in prison as a political enemy of the Philistines?

Britannie ☺

I want to thank everyone that sent me Get Well cards and Birthday cards. They made my day and were truly appreciated. Love, Virginia Collins

*Thank you to all my Christian family for the cards, calls, and especially the prayers during my brother’s illness and death. The flowers were beautiful. If I missed you at the funeral home as you visited, I’m sorry. In Christian Love,
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Please contact the office by phone or email by August 31, 2009, if you would like to continue receiving the bulletin by mail or email. The bulletin can also be viewed each week on our website. Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter. Britannie ☺

JOE ORAWCZYK: was to see his doctor in Nashville this past Thursday; if he got a good report, he was to go home.
DAN & ANN PATTERSON: Dan: has been home suffering with back pain; Ann: was to see her doctor this past Monday. 780 Hico Rd. / Puryear

AUDREY LAIRD: came thru her ear surgery and is doing good; she went home Monday.

LOGAN DODD: had a stint put in his left renal artery (it was 70% blocked); he went home on Tuesday and is doing good and resting and was able to be with us this past Wednesday night.

VIRGINIA COLLINS: is still suffering with pneumonia. 350 Volunteer Dr. Apt. 124 / Paris

EVAN FLOOD: was taken to the ER and admitted to HCMC this past Wednesday; he was unresponsive at home; he was treated and went home on Thursday.

BOB SWAYNE: went to the ER this past Wednesday with chest pain and was admitted; he is in HCMC, Rm. 2231; he was to undergo a stress test on Friday.

ALENE DUNNING: was moved to Martin Healthcare this past Wednesday.

PATTI OWEN: fell this past Tuesday and hurt both ankles and her wrist. P.O. Box 15 / Como 38223

LUCAS BROWN: had his pic line come out this past Tuesday night; he had it replaced at LeBonheur and came home the same day.

Please remember the aforementioned, and the following in your daily prayers:

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CHARLEVA GREER Paris Healthcare, Rm. 342

WILLIE MAE ROSS Paris Healthcare, Rm. 415

VIVIAN PASCHALL Paris Healthcare

FRANK CRAWFORD Plumley Rehab, Rm. 82

Birth Announcement

Trent & Amanda Dicus announce the birth of their son:

James Nevin Reed Dicus

Born July 29, 2009

7 ½ lbs, 21 inches

Proud Great Grandparents:

Melvin & Polly Arnold

GREETERS

August 2

Bob Cloy

Brenda Cloy

August 9

Lavelle Davidson

Patsy Davidson



The elders welcome all newcomers. If you would like to be identified as a member here or if you have not had the opportunity to meet the eldership, the elders would like to meet with you briefly to introduce ourselves and to explain our position on certain issues and matters of doctrine.

FIA Teams 1 & 2: will meet together tomorrow night at 6:30pm at the home of Wes & Judy Knee. They will supply hamburgers & hot dogs; you are asked to bring sides & desserts. The bus will be available for those needing a ride and will leave the parking lot by 6:00pm.

Food Pantry Items: Items needed for the food pantry: can soup, tuna, beef stew, ravioli, and canned fruit.

Summer Youth Series 2009: The SYS tomorrow night will be at the Henry church of Christ. Roger Burke will be speaking on "Solomon." The bus will be leaving the parking lot at 6:45pm.

"How to Study the Bible"-Class: Signup sheets for these classes are posted on the bulletin board outside the office. Thursday's class is now full, but Wednesday's class has several more spots remaining. These classes will begin in September 9th and 10th.

Mighty Oaks Trip: A Mighty Oaks trip is planned for **Saturday, August 29th**, to the Dixie Theatre. More information is available on the signup sheet posted on the bulletin board outside the office. Tickets need to be paid in advance and no later than August 2nd. See Debbie Pace with any questions.

Wednesday Night Auditorium Class: This Wednesday night, Victor will begin a class titled "The New Morality" which will run through December.

Wednesday Night Upstairs Class: Claytus Wilson's Wed. night class will resume this Wednesday night (Aug. 5th) in the upstairs classroom. The topic will be "The Holy Spirit." It is open to all adults.

Gospel Meeting: Cottage Grove church of Christ will be holding their gospel meeting beginning Aug. 9th and running through Aug. 12th. Their speaker will be John Dale. Sunday evening service will be at 6:00pm and through the week will be at 7:00pm.

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PRaise GOD IN YOUR PRAYERS

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Prayer can be a difficult practice for the child of God. For some, prayer involves the same repetitions day after day. These repetitions make prayer seem dull and lifeless. Even public prayers can fall into the realm of repetitions. After hearing some men pray a few times, the audience can say the prayer before it is prayed.

During the course of the Lord's ministry, the disciples were impressed with His prayer life. On one occasion, it was requested that He teach them to pray. "And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples" (Luke 11:1). Jesus responded to this request with what some call "The Lord's Prayer." In reality, this is a model prayer. The Lord designed this prayer to teach men "how" to pray.

The first element of the Lord's Model Prayer involves praise to God Almighty. "And he said unto them, When ye pray say, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name..." (Luke 11:2). The word "hallowed" expresses veneration to God. It is an acknowledgement that God is separate from profane things. It pronounces God to be holy and pure and sinless. Each prayer should begin with an expression of praise to God for who He is or for what He has done. This one aspect of prayer, if it is done well, could improve our prayers, especially public prayers, one hundred percent.

After reading this, some might be wondering what they could say in order to properly praise God in prayer. One older preacher of the gospel would begin his prayers with the words of Psalm 90:1-2: "Lord thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God." This text acknowledges God's care for His people. It also extols the eternal nature of The Father. It makes a beautiful statement of praise to God. However, repeating it every time one prays could make it a tired repetition also.

There are many others things that could be said of God that would set Him apart as the one, true God. The following verses provide some examples for us.

1. "The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower" (Ps. 18:2).
2. "For the Lord your God is God of gods, and Lord of lords, a great God, a mighty, and a terrible, which regardeth not persons, nor taketh rewards" (Deut. 10:17).
3. "O God thou art terrible out of thy holy places: the God of Israel is he that giveth strength

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