



Gateways

PRAYER

A Passion for the presence of God

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Gateways Series

- Community
- Serving
- Prayer – some assumptions
 - conversation with Almighty God
 - possible through Jesus & His work
 - two way conversation

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Invitation to a Journey with Me

1. Your Belief System is Critical

- God is sovereign! Can we really move his hand with prayer?

- Eph. 1:3ff

- Prov. 16:9,33

- Matthew 6:26

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- God can be Swayed by Prayer! Does that mean this all rests on Me????
 - Exodus 32:9ff
 - Luke 11:9-10
- Prayer offered in Faith is Powerful! Is my level of conviction really an issue???
 - Matthew 9:20, 21:20ff
 - James 5:15

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2. Critical Discovery

- desire of God for me
 - Matthew 11:30
 - 1 Peter 5:7
- motivation – delight vs discipline
 - Proverbs 15:8
 - Luke 11:13

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- Process and Proficiency
 - Luke 18
- Wisdom and the Will of God
 - James 1:5ff

3. Clear teaching In Scripture

- Taught by Jesus and Expected
 - Matt. 6

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- Practice and Call of Early Church
 - Acts 1:14, 2:42, 6:4
 - Romans 12:12
- Expected to include effort
 - Col. 4:2ff
 - Eph 6:18

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So What

1. Examine Your Beliefs

- what affects your participation

2. Journal Your Critical Discovery

- begin to note scripture and establish a well rounded theology

3. Pick a Starting Point to Persevere