



SERMON NOTES

August 12, 2018

Scripture: John 16:23-27 (NAS)

“Jesus Again Teaches On Prayer”

Rev. Bruce Gardner

- 23 "In that day you will not question Me about anything. Truly, truly, I say to you, if you ask the Father for anything in My name, He will give it to you.
- 24 "Until now you have asked for nothing in My name; ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be made full.
- 25 "These things I have spoken to you in figurative language; an hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figurative language, but will tell you plainly of the Father.
- 26 "In that day you will ask in My name, and I do not say to you that I will request of the Father on your behalf;
- 27 for the Father Himself loves you, because you have loved Me and have believed that I came forth from the Father.

I. JESUS' DEPARTURE

- A. Would Not Create Disruption
- B. Would Fulfill What He Came To Do

II. OUR APPROACH TO THE FATHER IS THROUGH PRAYER

- A. Prayer Is Our Privilege
- B. The Mechanics Of Prayer
 - 1. We pray to the Father
 - 2. Through the Son
 - 3. With the help of the Holy Spirit
- C. Prayer Involves Speaking To The Father *Matthew 6:9; Ephesians 2:17-18*
- D. Prayer Is Based On What Christ Has Done
 - 1. He tore down the dividing wall at the cross
 - 2. We are called into friendship with Christ through faith *John 15:15*
 - 3. He leads us into the Father's presence in prayer

III. OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE FATHER

- A. A Familial Relation
- B. Broken By Our Sin
- C. Jesus Removed The Sin *Matthew 1:21; John 17:4*
- D. The Father's Love For Us *John 3:16*
 - 1. Our relationship must be through Christ *John 14:6*
 - 2. We must have faith in Christ to rightly pray

IV. APPLICATION:

- 1. The Acrostic A-C-T-S
- 2. The Lord's Prayer As A Tool For Prayer
- 3. The Joy Of Prayer *1 Thessalonians 5:16-18*
- 4. The Holy Spirit Has Come To Aid Us In Prayer