

God's Love Language
Learning to Love... Like Jesus— Part 5
Matthew 6:5- 13
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⁵ “When you pray, don’t be like the hypocrites. They love to stand in the synagogues and on the street corners and pray so people will see them. I tell you the truth, they already have their full reward. ⁶ When you pray, you should go into your room and close the door and pray to your Father who cannot be seen. Your Father can see what is done in secret, and he will reward you. ⁷ “And when you pray, don’t be like those people who don’t know God. They continue saying things that mean nothing, thinking that God will hear them because of their many words. ⁸ Don’t be like them, because your Father knows the things you need before you ask him. ⁹ So when you pray, you should pray like this: ‘Our Father in heaven, may your name always be kept holy. ¹⁰ May your kingdom come and what you want be done, here on earth as it is in heaven. ¹¹ Give us the food we need for each day. ¹² Forgive us for our sins, just as we have forgiven those who sinned against us. ¹³ And do not cause us to be tempted, but save us from the Evil One.’ [The kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours forever. Amen.]
--Matthew 6:5-13 NCV

Jesus reveals several secrets to developing a richer and more fulfilling prayer life:

1. Pray _____.

“When you pray, don’t be like the hypocrites who love to pray publicly on street corners and in the synagogues where everyone can see them.”(v. 5 NLT)

Robert J. Morgan identifies 5 types of communication that supposedly “make up the fabric of our relationships”:

- a) _____ Talk (chatting about the weather, the news, and what you’ve been up to lately).
- b) _____ Talk (discussing your personal problems, frustrations, or plans for the future).
- c) _____ Talk (say things like: I love you, sweetheart; you’re wonderful).

d) _____ Talk (genuine heart-to-heart conversations about life and relationships).

e) _____ Talk (when you talk about spiritual things like salvation, grace, or heaven).

1. Pray _____.

*“When you pray, go away by yourself, out the door behind you, and pray to your father
5. Then your father, who sees everything, will reward you.” (V. 6 NLT)*

2. Pray _____.

*“Our Father in heaven, we honor your holy name... May your will be done here on
earth, just as it is in heaven.” (vv. 9-10 TLB)*