Jesus, Our Example

"Now Jesus was praying in a certain place and when He finished, one of His disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples."

- Luke 11:1

The Example of George Mueller

"And yet now, since God has taught me this point, it is as plain to me as anything that the first thing the child of God has to do morning by morning is to obtain food for his inner man. Now what is food for the inner man? Not prayer, but the Word of God; and here again, not the simple reading of the Word of God, so that it only passes through our minds, just as water passes through a piper, but considering what we read, pondering over it and applying it to our hearts."

- George Mueller

Praying Scripture

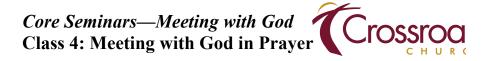
Philippians 1:9-11

Psalm 51:1-4

Two Practical Suggestions:

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A quiet time is the part of the day that we set aside for the worship of God, for the reading of the Word of God and for fellowship with God so that we would know Him more, know ourselves in light of Him, and know the world according to His perspective.

Prayer is the Spirit-given, Word-saturated response, through communication, to dwelling on God.

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Psalm 119:62	
Psalm 145:14-18	
Prayer: A Trinitarian Framework	
It is God's attribute to be a	and
God.	

John 17:24

The Basis of All Prayer: The Sonship of Jesus

Hebrews 4:14-16

"I need Thee every hour, most gracious Lord;
No tender voice like Thine can peace afford.

I need Thee oh I need Thee
Every hour I need Thee
O bless me now my savior
I come to Thee"

- Annie S. Hawkins (1872)

Three Reasons to Have Confidence that We Can Draw Near to God:

1)	Jesus is our	·		
2)	The	that Jesus has with the Father is the		
5:2	21).	we now have in Him (2 Corinthians		
3)	If God hears the _our	of Jesus, He will also hear		
		through Jesus.		
	Romans 8:34 – Jesus intercedes for us			

The Source of All Prayer: The Fatherhood of God

"When you pray, say 'Father, hallowed be your name..."

John 14:13 – Praying in the name of Jesus

- Luke 11:2

God the Father gives good gifts

Luke 11:11-13 James 1:17

The Enabling of All Prayer: The Power of the Holy Spirit

1)	The Holy Spirit draws us to a _ Christ.	in
	John 3:5-6	
	John 16:7-11	
2)	The Holy SpiritChrist.	us of our adoption in
	Romans 8:16	
	Ephesians 1:13-14	
3)	The Holy Spirit	for us before the Father.
	Romans 8:26-27	
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Summary Verse

Galatians 4:6

The Word of God and Prayer

Why isn't prayer alone enough to sustain our fellowship with God?

"If prayer is not addressed to God in terms of what is real, it is a fantasy. The prior word of God is established from the outset as the ground for any human understanding of reality."

- Graeme Goldsworthy