

Back to Basics
5. Prayer (Philippians 4v4-7)

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Philippians 4v4-7 (NIV)

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! ⁵Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. ⁶Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Introduction

The foundation of prayer (v4-5)

- Joy

- In the Lord

The way of prayer (v6)

- By petition

- With thanksgiving

The power of prayer (v7)

- Peace with God

- The price of peace

Conclusion

Other references: Phil 1:21-26; 4:11-13; Matt 6:25, 32; 2 Cor 12:7-9; Col 1:21-22; Rom 5:1-4; 8:32; John 16:33

Some books on prayer on the bookstall:

D. A. Carson – *A Call to Spiritual Reformation* (A survey of Paul's prayers in the New Testament)

Richard Coekin – *Our Father* (An insightful study of the implications of the Lord's Prayer)

Timothy Keller – *Prayer: Awe and Intimacy with God* (A comprehensive book on prayer and its purpose)

Timothy Lane – *Living Without Worry* (A practical book on dealing with worry and rethinking our priorities in life)