

Prayer 24/7



‘The reason why we pray is
simply that we cannot help
praying.’

William James



‘...none which causes so much perplexity and causes so many problems, as the activity which we call prayer.’

Martyn Lloyd Jones



‘To pray is to walk in the full light of God, and to say simply, without holding back, ‘I am human and you are God’.

We ‘create space in which God can act.’

Henri Nouwen



‘Prayer is a declaration of dependence upon God’.

‘Prayer means keeping company with God who is already present.’

Philip Yancey



To some people, prayer seems
a 'spasm of words lost in
cosmic indifference.'

George Buttrick (1942)



Prayer is 'a habit of attention.'
Fundamentally it is a position
a placement of oneself.

Patricia Hampl



‘Awareness...is what I think
prayer is about.’

Gordon Jeff



WHAT DO YOU THINK PRAYER IS..?



Prayer reflecting relationship

- Honest–authentic self
- Humility–leads to worship
- Confidence–Hebrews 4:16
- Joy
- Struggle
- Times of doubt/silence



‘Prayers like gravel
Flung at the sky’s window
Hoping to attract the loved one’s
attention...’

R.S.Thomas



‘Biblical prayer is impertinent,
persistent, shameless,
indecorous.

It is more like haggling in an
outdoor bazaar than the polite
monologues of the church.’

Walter Wink



**HOW has GOD
developed your
CHARACTER through
the ACT of prayer?**



Reading

- **Ruth Fowke: Personality and Prayer**
CWR
- **Philip Yancey Prayer: Does it make any difference?** Hodder
- **Collections:** George Buttrick (1942)
- **Gerard Kelly: Spoken Worship**
Zondervan

