**Prayer Is . . .**

**Prayer is the exercise of faith in the presence and power of the unseen God. *(Charles Fillmore, in Atom-Smashing Power of Mind, p. 11)***

**Prayer, as Jesus Christ understood and used it, is communion with God; the communion of the child with his Father; the splendid confidential talks of the son with the Father. This communion is an attitude of mind and heart that lifts the individual into a wonderful sense of oneness with God, who is Spirit, the source of every good and perfect thing, and the substance that supplies all the child's needs -- whether they are spiritual needs, social needs, mental needs, physical needs, or needs of a finance nature. Positive declaration of the truth of one's unity with God sets up a new current of thought power, which delivers one from the old beliefs and their depression. And when the soul is lifted up and becomes positive, the body and the affairs are readily healed. *(Myrtle Fillmore’s Healing Letter’s, p. 35)***

**Prayer for many is like a foreign land. When we go there, we go as tourists. Like most tourists, we feel uncomfortable and out of place. Like most tourists, we therefore move on before too long and go somewhere else. *(Robert McAfee Brown)***

**Prayer does not fit us for the greater work; prayer is the greater work. *(Oswald Chambers)***

**Prayer is and remains always a native and deepest impulse of the soul of man. *(Thomas Carlyle)***

**Prayer should be the key of the morning and the lock of the night. *(Owen Felltham, in Resolves)***

 **Prayer is the key of the morning and the bolt of the evening. *(Mohansas K. Gandhi)***

**Prayer is to ask that the laws of the universe be annulled on behalf of a single practitioner confessed unworthy. *(Ambrose Bierce)***

**Prayer is not overcoming God’s reluctance, it is laying hold of His highest willingness. *(Archbishop Trench)***

**Prayer is less about changing the world than it is about changing ourselves. *(David J. Wolpe, in Teaching Your Children About God)***

**Prayer is not an old woman’s idle amusement. Properly understood and applied it is the most potent instrument of action. *(Mahatma Gandhi)***

**Prayer is the prelude to peace, the prologue to power, the preface to purpose, and the pathway to perfection. *(William Arthur Ward)***

**Prayer is not so much an effort to affect the will of God as it is to discover it. *(Phil Barnhart, in Seasonings for Sermons, p. 131)***

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