

THE PASTORAL EPISTLES

I & II Timothy, Titus and Philemon

“God Speaks to His Church”

Prayer in the Church—I Timothy 2:1-8

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A. Context

1. Chapter 1 focused on Paul exhorting Timothy to preach and teach the Word of God and to counteract the false teaching with the truth.
2. Chapters 2 and 3 focus on corporate issues in the local church. (I Timothy 3:15—How to conduct oneself in God’s household.)
 - 2:1-8 Role of Prayer
 - 2:9-15 Role of Women
 - 3:1-13 Role of Elders and Deacons

B. Text

1. What is prayer?

- a. Prayer is talking to God
- b. Pattern of prayer

Adoration

Confession

Thanksgiving

Supplication

c. Models of prayer

- 1) **The Lord’s Prayer (The Disciple’s prayer)** **Matthew 6:9-13**
Praise, Petitions, Confession
- 2) **The High Priestly prayer of Jesus** **John 17**
Praise, Prayer for the disciples, Prayer for the world
- 3) **The Prayer Room of Heaven** **Hebrews 4:16**

2. Focus on Corporate Prayer

- a. Prayer as a priority
- b. Types of prayers
 - 1) Entreaties
 - 2) Petitions
 - 3) Thanksgiving
- c. For whom to pray
 - 1) All men
 - 2) Authorities/Leaders
- d. What to pray for?
 - 1) Tranquil/Quiet lives
 - 2) Godliness
 - 3) Dignity
- e. Where to pray?
- f. Requirements of prayer
 - 1) Posture of prayer—holy hands
 - 2) Purity of prayer
 - a) A holy/pure heart
 - b) No wrath, dissension

C. APPLICATION