

PRACTICALS FOR PRAYER ROOM TIME

GateCity Church

1. **Watch/Behold.**
 1. Put your Bible, others books, and devices down and direct your attention to the Lord.
 2. Pray that God would give you “the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him” (Eph 1:16-20).
 3. Invite the Spirit to transform you as you behold Him (2 Cor 3:18).
 4. Picture God according to how the Bible describes Him (Ex 34:5-7; Isa 6; Rev 1:9-20, 4, 5).
 5. Practice listening to Him as you behold Him (Ps 27:4, 62:1-2; Isa 30:15).
2. **Open your heart.**
 1. Give your plans and expectations for this time to the Lord. Come to Him with an open heart so you can hear what He is saying, which may not align with your expectations or desires.
 2. Do not rush past this moment. Open your heart to the Lord by faith and give Him the space to speak (Rev 3:20; Ps 139:23-24).
3. **Use the Bible.**
 1. Engage in conversation with the Lord using the Bible.
 2. Ponder small segments of Scripture, seeking to hear what the Lord is saying to you and then respond in obedience (Ps 1).
 3. Read portions of Scripture that shed light on God’s larger story. Read large chunks of Scripture to understand the narrative storyline.
 4. Study a book of the Bible. Read up on the background, history, and author of the book and where it fits in the storyline. Make your own notes as you read.
 5. Study a particular theme found throughout Scripture such as the Father’s heart, fellowship with the Spirit, the forerunner message, etc.
4. **Request/Intercede.**
 1. Ask the Lord to teach you how to pray (Matt 6:5-15; Rom 8:26).
 2. Ask the Lord for specific things He wants you to pray for. When burdened, pray through until you feel a release (Rom 8:26-28).
 3. Pray in tongues (1 Cor 14:1-2, 4-5).
 4. Notice verses highlighted to you, signs, dreams, prophetic impressions, etc. to help you discern the Lord’s voice and direction as you pray.

“One thing I have asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple.” - David (Ps 27:4)

It is not how well you seek the Lord, but simply that you seek Him.