

# Power in the Secret Place

## Week 1

### Purpose of Prayer – Why We Talk to God

Matthew 6:5–13

#### 1. Prayer is \_\_\_\_\_

*God desires a private, intimate relationship with you.*

**Scripture:** “When you pray, go into a room alone and close the door.” (v.6)

- Private prayer \_\_\_\_\_ God’s presence.
- Intimacy grows in \_\_\_\_\_ moments.
- God \_\_\_\_\_ what is done in secret.

#### 2. Prayer is \_\_\_\_\_

*We are speaking to a Father, not just following a formula.*

**Scripture:** “Our Father in heaven, help us to honor your name.” (v.9)

- Prayer begins with God’s \_\_\_\_\_.
- Reverence fuels \_\_\_\_\_.
- Belonging shapes our \_\_\_\_\_.

#### 3. Prayer is \_\_\_\_\_

*It aligns us with God’s greater plan.*

**Scripture:** “Come and set up your kingdom, so that everyone on earth will obey you, as you are obeyed in heaven.” (v.10)

- Prayer is about \_\_\_\_\_, not control.
- God’s kingdom transforms our \_\_\_\_\_.
- Obedience is the \_\_\_\_\_ of prayer.

#### Challenge:

**Reflect:** Do I pray to impress others or to connect with God?

**Act:** Create a sacred space in your home or routine for daily prayer.

**Pray:** “Lord, help me to seek Your face, not just Your hand.”