

Glorious Alternative 10 - When You Pray

We must take our focus off of the temporary and place it on the eternal.

5 “And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. 6 But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. 7 And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words. 8 Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. Matthew 6:5-8

Prayer is not about giving God our list as much as it is just sitting alone in his presence.

Prayer is asking God to reveal his heart and mind to us.

12 What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us. 1 Corinthians 2:12

We wrongly value earthly wealth over heavenly treasures.

2 Do not be quick with your mouth, do not be hasty in your heart to utter anything before God. God is in heaven and you are on earth, so let your words be few. Ecclesiastes 5:2

11 The Lord would speak to Moses face to face, as one speaks to a friend. Exodus 33:11

We are very comfortable talking to God about what we want without ever broaching the subject of who we are.

16 But Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed. Luke 5:16

Personal transformative prayer is seeking the heart and mind of God and not just asking him to meet our earthly needs.