

A night sky with the Milky Way galaxy visible, stretching across the frame. The stars are bright and colorful, with a mix of blue, white, and orange. In the foreground, a dark silhouette of a pine tree stands on a hill. The overall scene is serene and majestic.

***Holy,
Holy,
Holy***

How to Pray to God, part 1
Matthew 6:9 - 10



When the Christ Came to Earth . . .

Jesus Prayed:

- ***Alone***
- ***On mountains***
- ***In wilderness***
- ***Morning***
- ***Evening***
- ***All night***
- ***For children***
- ***For apostles***
- ***For Himself***
- ***Constantly***



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Paul Harvey first broadcast his "If I Were the Devil" about 1965 and apparently edited and reworked it through the years.



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We Should Not Pray to Mary

In the same way the Spirit also helps our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we should, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words . . .

Romans 8:26

Can We Pray to Jesus or Holy Spirit?

Matthew 6:9

- *All prayers are offered to the Father, except for one.*
- *Only one prayer was offered to Jesus*
 - *Acts 7:59-60*
- *No prayer is recorded to the Holy Spirit*
 - *John 16:14*
 - *Romans 8:26-27; Eph. 6:18; Jude 20*

***Pray to the Father
through Jesus
by the power of the
Holy Spirit***

2nd Principle – Ask That The Father Be Regarded As Holy

Matthew 6:9

- ***Hallowed*** means “to make holy”
- ***We make God holy by our behavior***
 - ***Matthew 5:16***
- ***The angels***
 - ***Isaiah 6:3***
 - ***Revelation 4:8***

3rd Principle – Your Kingdom Come

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Kingdom Is Like A Present



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 - ***Revelation 22:20***

4th Principle – Father’s Will Is Done on Earth

Matthew 6:10

- ***Father’s will is done in heaven!***
- ***Earth is **ge**, which means “earth.”***
- ***We should want the Father to have His will done!***
 - ***Acts 21:14***
 - ***James 4:13-17***

Jesus teaches us to pray . . .

- 1. To the Father***
- 2. That the Father's reputation is holy.***
- 3. His kingdom will come soon!***
- 4. The Father has His will fulfilled.***

Message . . .

Start your prayer focused on the Father and be concerned about His reputation and what He wants.