

## The Need for Prayer

1. Prayer is **communion** and **fellowship** with God characterized by complete **dependence** upon Him for all we **need and want**, and utter **gratefulness** to Him for all that we have.
2. God's eternal plan is to **dwell** with His people forever in a **fellowship of prayer**.
3. Sin is an explicit **rejection** of **prayerful fellowship** with God.
4. Sin cannot erase our built-in **need and desire** for communion with God.
5. Salvation is not merely the **forgiveness of our sins**, but the **restoration of prayerful fellowship** that forgiveness makes possible.

**Prayer:** Dear God, I confess that I rely on myself to get what I need and want, and do not look to you. Forgive me, and please help me come to you for everything my heart truly wants and needs. In Jesus name, amen.