
The Prayer of Petition and Supplication

The words petition and supplication are defined as "a formal request of a higher power." This prayer changes things.

It is based on this scripture found in Philippians: "Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." (Phil. 4:6)

To illustrate, suppose you obtained an audience with the governor of your state. After you went through the proper channels, would you then enter his office without being prepared? Of course not!

You would have your ideas formulated and the arguments settled in your mind long before you obtained an audience with him. Shouldn't you handle yourself in the same way when approaching God?

Hebrews 4:16 says, "Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace...."

Do not go into the prayer of petition and supplication without knowing what you want to say and how you want to say it. Enter the throne room with your petition drawn up according to God's Word.

Ask yourself these questions: What happened at Calvary? How did the substitutionary sacrifice of Jesus affect this trial I am facing? Then, find out what God has already done regarding your situation.

If you need healing, look up those scriptures pertaining to healing. Present your petition. No matter what your situation may be, God has provided an answer for it in His Word. The Cross paid the price for your deliverance.

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