

What If?

What if today was your last day and you stepped off this planet into eternity? Where would you go? **What if** we all had to stand before GOD after our death? **What if** He was to judge us by the Ten Commandments, would you be innocent or guilty? Have you ever told a lie? (9th) Have you ever stolen anything? (8th) Have used God's name in vain or as a curse word? (3rd) Have you ever looked with lust? (7th) Jesus said that lust was adultery of the heart (Mt.5:28). Ever hated someone? (6th). That is murder of the heart (Mt. 5:22). The Bible says that all liars shall have their part in the Lake of Fire (Rev. 21:8) and that no thief, fornicator or adulterer will inherit the kingdom of God (1 Cor. 6:9-10). The price for our sins must be paid; death is the wages of our sins (Rom.6:23). We are guilty and the place we will go is Hell for eternity. **What if** the guilty verdict was changed to not guilty? **What if** someone paid for our sins and we were forgiven? What would you be willing to do for that person? That person, Jesus Christ, did that for you and me. All we have to do is repent (turn away from our sins and turn to God) and trust in Him alone to save us. **What if** you prayed right now and asked God to forgive the sins you have committed and thanked Jesus for dying on the cross in your place? Look at Psalm 51 for a great example of prayer. **What if** you followed Jesus Christ at any cost and obey His Scriptures. **What if** you visited www.GotOurTract.com for more information.

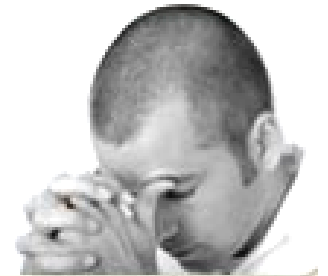
Psalm 51:1-17

1 Have mercy upon me, O God, According to Your loving kindness; According to the multitude of Your tender mercies, Blot out my transgressions. 2 Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, And cleanse me from my sin. 3 For I acknowledge my transgressions, And my sin is always before me. 4 Against You, You only, have I sinned, And done this evil in Your sight-- That You may be found just when You speak, And blameless when You judge. 5 Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, And in sin my mother conceived me. 6 Behold, You desire truth in the inward parts, And in the hidden part You will make me to know wisdom. 7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. 8 Make me hear joy and gladness, That the bones You have broken may rejoice. 9 Hide Your face from my sins, And blot out all my iniquities. 10 Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a steadfast spirit within me. 11 Do not cast me away from Your presence, And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me. 12 Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, And uphold me by Your generous Spirit. 13 Then I will teach transgressors Your ways, And sinners shall be converted to You. 14 Deliver me from the guilt of bloodshed, O God, The God of my salvation, And my tongue shall sing aloud of Your righteousness. 15 O Lord, open my lips, And my mouth shall show forth Your praise. 16 For You do not desire sacrifice, or else I would give it; You do not delight in burnt offering. 17 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, A broken and a contrite heart-- These, O God, You will not despise.



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PRAYER - Changes Things

Prayer is simply talking to God -- and listening while God talks. It is the most basic expression of faith. It is the "breath" of our spiritual life. It is our lifeline to God. Many people mistakenly think of prayer needs to be formal -- with "thees and thous." Not so. Prayer is nothing more than a child talking to his Dad. It can be: A cry for help in a time of need. A squeal of delight for receiving a gift. A plea on behalf of someone else. A quiet time of adoration.

A period of listening as God talks. A gentle time of receiving God's love. Prayer is basically conversation with our

Heavenly Father. It is also important to note that if you are still in your sins the Bible says God will not listen to your prayers (Isaiah 59: 2; John 9:31).

More than anything God wants us to have a relationship with Him and become His children. Our relationship with God has been broken by our sin and only through repentance (turning away from sin) and faith does someone become a child of God again...then and only then does God listen to our prayers.

Remember, God wants to grant your request much more than the most loving father on earth wishes to give his children good things. But remember, too, He is your Father. As any good father, He knows how to give good gifts -- and when to give them. This means sometimes God says "No" to our requests. However, he never says "No" without having a better answer waiting for us just around the bend of the road. It's important to remember this: When God says "No" to us, it's not because He can't afford it. Nor is it because He doesn't care. God is the owner of everything -- riches, knowledge, wisdom, power, health, joy and love. Not only that but he cares for us. He loves us as His children is more than any earthly father could ever love us.

Skeptics raise questions about prayer's usefulness: If God knows best, what's the point? As one pastor stated, "Should I just stop bothering him with my petty requests for myself and others, and let God get on with the business of running the universe while I do my best to take care of things down here?" To such questions, we have no better answer than the example of Jesus, who knew above any of us the wisdom of the Father and yet who felt a strong need to flood the heavens with requests.

Jesus truly believed that prayer could change things.



*Behind me he says,
"Your sins are forgiven."
I think "That's good but not why I came."
I turn and say "Am I also cured?"
He comes close but looks down.
He says "That too..."*

~ Reynolds Price

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