Precept Study: How are we to Pray?

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In Regards to: Praying! Yes, in religious circles things as simple as prayer can be made difficult. The simplest of things can cause the upmost discord through confusion and it's my effort to bring unity and peace through scripture. I believe the one thing we should do with the upmost confidence and faith-- is pray. Now, how can this be done effectively if we do not know how to pray and who we are directing our prayers to?

This precept study arose to recall the pattern our Lord gave us to pray. Many believers acknowledge the existence of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, but how are they recognized and/or acknowledged in prayer?

I believe the answer is evident in the fact that these three are one 1st John 5:7. Therefore, if you are in doubt you absolutely cannot go wrong praying to God the Father, through the Holy Spirit, in the name of His Son.

As it is written;

- * ... there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one. (1Jo 5:7 KJV)
- * In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. (Jhn 1:1 KJV)
- * The same was in the beginning with God. (Jhn 1:2 KJV)
- * That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of life; (1Jo 1:1 KJV)
- * (For the life was manifested, and we have seen [it], and bear witness, and shew unto you that eternal life, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us;) (1Jo 1:2 KJV)
- * Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: (Phl 2:9 KJV)
- * That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of [things] in heaven, and [things] in earth, and [things] under the earth; (PhI 2:10 KJV)

Our Lord said;

- * I and [my] Father are one. (Jhn 10:30 KJV)
- * At that day ye shall ask in my name: and I say not unto you, that I will pray the Father for you: (Jhn 16:26 KJV) For the Father himself loveth you, because ye have loved me, and have believed that I came out from God. (Jhn 16:27 KJV)



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- * Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full. (Jhn 16:24 KJV)
- * And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. (Jhn 14:13 KJV)
- * At that day ye shall know that I [am] in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you. (Jhn 14:20 KJV)
- * And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, [do] all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him. (Col 3:17 KJV)
- * Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints; (Eph 6:18 KJV)
- * After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. (Mat 6:9 KJV)
- * Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. (Mat 6:10 KJV)
- * Give us this day our daily bread. (Mat 6:11 KJV)
- * And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. (Mat 6:12 KJV)
- * And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen. (Mat 6:13 KJV)

All praises, glory, and honor be to the Most High God מוֹהאֹלּגּלּ the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob—in the precious Name of <u>His Son</u> the Messiah Christ—Our Lord, Savior, King and Redeemer! Eternal Blessings upon the Elect of God, now and forever!

Amen & Amen, So be it.

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