**HOW DO YOU LOOK WHEN YOU PRAY?**

40 Days of Prayer – Part 4

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**Psalm 139:1-13**

**FUNDAMENTAL BASIS OF PRAYER**

1. **God Is A Multidimensional God**

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***We see it in the incarnation***

**John 1:14 (KJV)**
And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

***We see it in how the Holy Spirit moves***

**John 3:8 (TLB)**
Just as you can hear the wind but can’t tell where it comes from or where it will go next, so it is with the Spirit. We do not know on whom he will next bestow this life from heaven."

1. **Because He Is Multidimensional, I Am Never Alone**

**Psalm 139:7-12 (NIV)**
7Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast. If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me," even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is

as light to you.

**HOW DO YOU LOOK WHEN I PRAY?**

1. **I Look Backwards To The Cross**

**1 Peter 1:18-19 (NLT2)**
For you know that God paid a ransom to save you from the empty life you inherited from your ancestors. And the ransom he paid was not mere gold or silver. It was the precious blood of Christ, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God.

**THE CROSS REMINDS ME**

* **How much God loves me**
* **How costly sin & evil is**
* **How completely I’m forgiven**
1. **I Look Upward Into My Father’s Loving Eyes**

**Romans 8:15-17 (NLT2)**
So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God’s Spirit when he adopted you as his own children. Now we call him, “Abba, Father.” For his Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God’s children. And since we are his children, we are his heirs. In fact, together with Christ we are heirs of God’s glory. But if we are to share his glory, we must also share his suffering.

1. **I Look Inward To Jesus Living Inside Me**

**2 Corinthians 13:5 (NLT2)**
Examine yourselves to see if your faith is genuine. Test yourselves. Surely you know that Jesus Christ is among you; if not, you have failed the test of genuine faith.

1. **I Look Around And I Ask The Holy Spirit To Use Me**

**Romans 6:13 (TLB)**
…but give yourselves completely to God—every part of you—for you are back from death and you want to be tools in the hands of God, to be used for his good purposes.

1. **I Look Forward To My Future In Faith**

**Philippians 1:6 (NASB)**
*For I am* confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus.