

## **New Testament Prayer in Contrast to Before Pentecost**

- I.** Old Testament asking prayer is not an example for today.
1. The change occurs when the New Testament begins, which supersedes or negates all previous manner of asking prayer (Jn. 16:24).
  2. In the Old Testament:
    - 1) No heavenly High Priest.
    - 2) Not every believer was a priest.
    - 3) No indwelling Holy Spirit.
    - 4) No regeneration.
    - 5) Directed on earth not to heaven.

**II.** Types of asking prayer in the Old Testament.

<b>Interceding for or against the Nation Israel</b>	<b>Expecting the Millennial Kingdom</b>	<b>Prophecy regarding the Millennial Kingdom</b>
Jer. 32:16-25	Mt. 6:8-15; 7:7-11	Is. 65:24
Dan. 9:20	Lu. 11:2-13	Jer. 33:3
Rom. 11:1-2		

- III.** The “Lord’s” Prayer (Mt. 6:8-13).
1. Context, context, context.
  2. Manner: “thusly”, an example, not copied word-for word.
  3. Let your, the Father’s, kingdom come, anticipating a better kingdom.
  4. Let your will be done—problems?
  5. Forgiving debt, no commerce during Kingdom.
  6. Lead us not into temptation *cf.* Jam. 1:2.
  7. Deliver us from evil, problems?
- IV.** The Importunate man (Lu. 11:5-13).
1. Asking v. 9 *cf.* 13 is for the Holy Spirit to come.
  2. The open door represents the Holy Spirit coming.
  3. The Holy Spirit will come and teach how to pray.