

## Prayer of Faith

Ephesians 6:18 (AMP) Pray at all times (on every occasion, in every season) in the Spirit, with all [manner of] prayer and entreaty. To that end keep alert and watch with strong purpose *and* perseverance, interceding in behalf of all the saints (God's consecrated people).

1. Prayer of Faith (Petition)
2. Prayer of Consecration (Dedication)
3. Prayer of Agreement
4. Prayer of Binding & Loosing
5. Prayer of Praise & Worship (Thanksgiving)
6. Prayer of Intercession



*Just as different tools needed for specific applications there are different kinds of prayer to bring different results*

The Bible says, "The just shall live by faith" it is important that the believer pray in faith. While my overall perspective is that all kinds of prayer work together, and every prayer we pray needs to be a prayer in faith, there are some specific guidelines and understanding we need to pray the **prayer of faith**.

James 5:15 And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.

### What is the prayer of faith?

**1. It is primarily an individual prayer, between you and God; also known as petition prayer.**

Mark 11:24 "Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them.

**2. It is not dependant on the faith of others (as prayer of agreement)**

Matthew 21:21-22 So Jesus answered and said to them, "Assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith and do not doubt, you will not only do what was done to the fig tree, but also if you say to this mountain, 'Be removed and be cast into the sea,' it will be done. 22 "And whatever things you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive."

**3. It is present tense prayer. The moment you pray believe you have it now, because "faith is".**

Hebrews 11:1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

I heard a person pray one time, "I know God will heal me someday". That was a hope statement, not the prayer of faith. Hope by itself will not heal. Faith & hope will. Hope is future. Faith is now. It may happen in the future, but as far as your faith is concerned you have it now.

### When is prayer of faith needed?

When you have needs and desires, trials, and mountains that need to be moved, and circumstances changed. When the scriptures say to speak to mountains and mulberry trees It is referring to difficulties.

Luke 17:6 So the Lord said, "If you have faith as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be pulled up by the roots and be planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.



**4. Unbelief will stop this prayer from being answered. God does not honor unbelief.**

James 1:5-8 If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him. 6 But let him **ask in faith**, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind. 7 For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; 8 he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

- "If" has been called a badge of doubt

*We have a responsibility in this prayer*

Mark 9:22-24 "And often he has thrown him both into the fire and into the water to destroy him. But **if** You can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." 23 Jesus said to him, "**If** you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes." 24 Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!"

**5. It requires patience and persistence when you don't see an immediate change.**

- Mark 11:24 does not say when you will actually see the result of your prayer. It doesn't say how long it will take – that is what trips up many believers.
- Believe you have it when it is not there & nothing appears to happen. Don't try to figure out how it is going to happen. My mind still tries to do that. We get into trouble when we say, "It doesn't look like anything is happening."
- Continue to say, "I believe I have received. The answer is on the way."

**6. Your words hold the key to the prayer of faith being answered.**

- Keep speaking in line with what you prayed, which is based on God's word.

Daniel 10:12 Then he said to me, "Do not fear, Daniel, for from the first day that you set and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard; and I have come



your heart to understand, because of your words.

**Your prayer was heard the first time you prayed.** The prayer of faith should be a one time prayer, but you should keep praying. Learn to pray different ways. Usually with me there is one prayer of faith, 50 confessions of faith, 100 thanksgivings to the Lord, 50 rebukes to the devil. I keep praying, but in different ways. **Some people keep asking because they don't know if God heard them the first time.**

## Conclusion

Many believers depend on another's faith, and neglect develop their own. That's okay when you are a new Christian learning to develop your faith - They seem to get prayers answered faster - not as much is required of them. Older Christians are the hardest to get healed because they have not developed their faith. They are still depending on Rev. Anointed & gifted one Steve Stunning to laying hands on them rather than believe God for themselves. **They have lazy faith.** You can only ride on someone else's faith for so long. That person will not be with you every waking moment of every day which is where you have to walk out and live your faith. **God wants us to develop and exercise our faith in prayer.** Hebrews 10:23 (KJ5) Let us hold fast the profession of [our] faith without wavering; (for he [is] faithful that promised;)