

THE MOVEMENTS OF PRAYER

"A minister may fill his pews...but what that minister is on his knees in secret before God Almighty, that he is, and no more."

JOHN OWEN

"Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples."

THREE MOVEMENTS OF PRAYER <u>UPWARD</u>

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"I think we delight to praise what we enjoy because the praise not merely expresses but completes the enjoyment. The delight is incomplete until it is expressed."

C.S. LEWIS

<u>UPWARD</u>

"Praise the Lord! Praise the name of the Lord, give praise, O servants of the Lord, who stand in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God! Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good; sing to his name, for it is pleasant!"

PSALM 136:1-3

<u>UPWARD</u>

"For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened."

ROMANS 1:21

God is the great "WHO" behind all the great "WHATS" of the world.

"Now I find I can put them in his hands, and I feel the burden coming off me rather than on me."

THREE MOVEMENTS OF PRAYER INWARD

<u>INWARD</u>

"Only when we see both the freeness and the cost of forgiveness will we get relief from the guilt as well as liberation from the power of sin in our lives."

TIM KELLER

<u>INWARD</u>

"For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation without regret, whereas worldly grief produces death."

2 CORINTHIANS 7:10

<u>INWARD</u>

"We begin by admitting the sin for what it is, but then secondly, we forsake it, rejecting and repudiating it. This is to adopt a right attitude towards both God and the sin itself."

JOHN STOTT

THREE MOVEMENTS OF PRAYER OUTWARD

OUTWARD

"We prayed to our God and posted a guard day and night to meet the threat."

NEHEMIAH 4:9

God has a sovereign plan, but part of his plan is that we pray.

<u>OUTWARD</u>

"Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it."

JOHN 14:13-14

<u>OUTWARD</u>

"God will either give us what we ask or give us what we would have asked if we knew everything he knew."

TIM KELLER

OUTWARD

"And he told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart."

LUKE 18:1