

A Model for Prayer

Read Matthew 15:21-28

Read the scripture above, and pay close attention to this model for prayer. This Gentile woman came humbly.

Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up. (James 4:10, NIV)

She came presenting her need.

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. (Philippians 4:6, NIV)

She came in faith.

If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer. (Matthew 21:22, NIV)

She came unselfishly, driven by love.

You do not have because you do not ask God. When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures. (James 4:2b-3, NIV)

She came submissively, content to accept whatever God would give.

*Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven. (Matthew 6:9-10, NIV)*

She came persistently.

Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. (Matthew 7:7, NIV)

She came to Jesus Christ, putting all her hope in Him.

*Father, I will bring You
all my sorrow, all my anxiety,
all my joy, and all my desiring.
You are the One I love and trust.
You are my God.*

Hymn: [Only You](#)