

# **“What The Sinner Should, And Should Not Pray For”**

Lesson Text: **Isaiah 59:1-4.**

## **I. Why The Sinner's Prayer Is Not Biblical.**

- It Is Not The Proper Way To Establish A Relationship With God.
- Several Texts Are Given To Attempt To Justify It:
  - **Psalm 51:1-4.** David's Prayer For Forgiveness.
  - But David Already Has A Relationship With God As A Jew.
  - **Acts 2:21.** Jews On The Day Of Pentecost Were Told,  
*“That everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”*
  - But What Did Peter Tell Them To Do? **Acts 2:37-41; 22:16.**
  - **Luke 18:13.** The Tax Collector's Prayer, *“God, be merciful to me, a sinner!”*
  - But Like David, He Was Already In Relationship With God As A Jew.
- For Our Prayers To Be Effective, We Must Be In A Relationship With God.
  - **John 9:31; 1 Peter 3:12; James 5:16.**
- We Must Follow God's Way Of Salvation From Sin:
  - Hear- **Rom. 10:17**; Believe & Confess- **Romans 10:9-10**;
  - Repent- **Luke 13:3**; And Be Baptized- **Acts 2:37-38.**

## **II. For What Should The Sinner Pray For?**

- That God Will Help Them To Find The Bible Way To Be Saved. **Romans 10:1-3.**
- That God Will Send Someone To Teach Them The Truth. **Acts 8:29-36.**
- That God Will Help Them To Truly Repent Of Evil Deeds. **2 Tim. 2:24-26; Luke 15:17.**
- That God Will Help Them To Fully Commit To The Lord Jesus. **Luke 14:27-33.**
- That God Will Help Them To Obey The Gospel. **1 Peter 4:17.**
- That God Will Help Them Find A Sound Church That Teaches Truth. **Acts 9:26.**

## **III. For What Should The Sinner Not Pray For?**

- That God Would Send The Holy Spirit To Convert Them. **1 Corinthians 1:21.**
- That The Preacher Would Quit Preaching On Sin. **Acts 20:18-27.**
- That God Would Save Them Without Repentance. **Luke 24:46-47.**
- That God Would Give Them Forgiveness Without Obeying The Gospel. **Acts 2:38.**
- That God Would Help Them *“Join The Church Of Their Choice.”* **Matthew 16:18.**