

“Why is Prayer So Hard?”

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Scripture Reading – Isaiah 55:6-12

1. Speaking to “God” can be hard.

- He is invisible. (Ex. 33:20; I Tim. 6:16)
- He is silent. (Psalm 28:1; 83:1; 135:22)
- He is different.
 - a different person. (Matt. 6:9)
 - different priorities. (Matt. 6:10, 33)
 - different pace. (Rom. 8:25)
 - different purposes. (Isa. 55:8-9)

2. Listening to Satan makes it harder.

- Devious lies. (Gen. 3:1,4; Jn. 8:44)
- Doubts. (Gen. 3:1)
- Distractions. (2 Tim. 2:4)

3. What should we do?

- See prayer as a relationship not a task. (Rev. 3:20)
- See prayer as a connection with Him. (John 15:7)
- See prayer as obedience to Him. (Mark 1:17)
- See prayer as walking with Him. (Matt. 11:28-29)

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