

Introduction

- I. Jesus constantly corrects and shifts our priorities.
- II. Let us see this instruction of Jesus in the light of what we have already learned about prayer.

**Praying for God's Glory**

- I. **The Relationship** between God's glory and prayer.
  - A. If we fail to pray with God's glory as the chief priority of our lives, we will approach God with a wrong view of Him. The temptation is to view God like a divine vending machine.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - B. Jesus is teaching us in the first petition to have a right view of our lives in relationship to God. We must understand that God does all things for His glory! (Isaiah 43:7, 21)

II. **The Petition** - what does Jesus teach us to ask for?

- A. Jesus teaches us to pray here, "Grant us first rightly to know Thee..."
  1. How do we know this about God?

2. For God to be glorified by us, we must first know Him.

- B. Jesus teaches us to pray that our lives and prayers would be motivated by the glory of God!
  1. Jesus teaches us to pray about our hearts and motivation.

2. God is pleased when we do what is right with a right motivation.

III. **The Commitment**

- A. May we be committed to praying as Jesus commands us to pray, not because this will get us what we want but because this glorifies God.

B. Be assured that God answers your prayers.