

Introduction

- I. One of the great dangers of the church is that she does not care about holiness.
- II. The 6th petition teaches us prayer is a weapon to use in the battle for holiness.

Battling Sin with Prayer

I. Praying for Sanctification

A. Jesus is teaching us to pray for sanctification.

1. What is sanctification?

2. Jesus is teaching us to pray about this sanctification in these petitions. How?

B. In these petitions, Jesus is teaching us that a life of sanctification is important.

II. Praying in Weakness

A. This is our great need because we are so weak in ourselves that we cannot stand for a moment. James 1:14, 15

B. We also need to pray for sanctification because we face strong enemies without, who find an ally within us.

1. The great enemy of God and His church is Satan.

2. The other enemy we face is the ally of Satan – the world of wickedness and sin.

III. Praying with Assurance

A. This assurance is needed because of our struggle with sin.

B. We have assurance that God will hear us and answer us in James 4:2 and Matt. 7:7, 8.

C. Let us abide in Christ and obey Him in our lives.