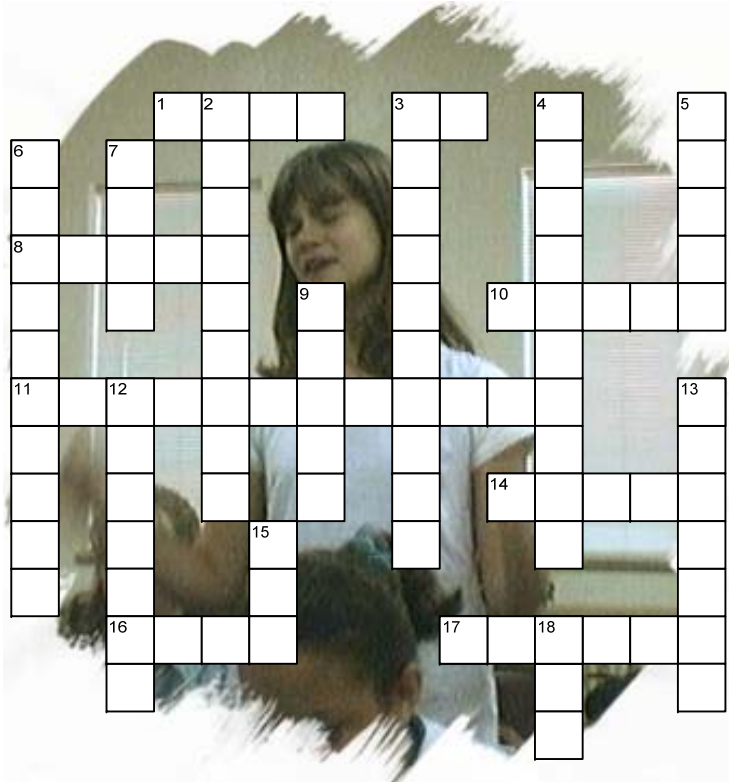


Crossword Puzzle



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| <p>1. To pray is to _____ to God.
 3. God loves and cares for _____.
 8. Man was created in God's _____.
 10. God _____ man.
 11. When we experience these, God takes care of us
 14. God watches over us day and _____.
 16. God knows what we _____.
 17. Our prayer can be _____ (meaning not complex).</p> | <p>2. A baby cries to get his mother's _____.
 3. Even if we don't know the words to pray, God will _____ our heart.
 4. Prayer is a way to _____ with God.
 5. God knows all our _____.
 6. Though prayer we can build up our _____ with God.
 7. We use our spirit to _____ to God.
 9. We need to learn to _____ in God.
 12. God knows what we are thinking and _____.
 13. God _____ over us day and night.
 15. We pray to _____.
 18. Created with a spirit.</p> |
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Man in God's Creation

- Lesson Twenty-Two -

The Spiritual Aspect of Man (2)

I. Overview.

In this lesson we see that God created man in His image and with a spirit so that God could be man's friend and companion. God likes for us to tell Him everything that is in our heart. When we talk things over with God in this way we are praying to Him. Because our God loves us so much we can trust in Him completely.



Prayer is just talking to God

We should trust in the Lord because He loves us, cares for us, and everything is in His hand and in under His control. He is our wise and loving God and Father. We can pray to Him, love Him, and trust in Him.

II. Scriptures for Memory.

“Casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.”
(1 Pet 5:7)

III. Lesson.

Since God created us with a spirit and in His image, we are like Him. God is spirit, and we have a spirit within us. This enables us to know God. Our spirit causes us to feel that we need God and that we desire God. Even if we had many good friends, a good mother and father, and good brothers and sisters, we would still feel like we missing something. This is because we were made by God so we could be His

friends and companions. Without God we are certainly missing something and we do not feel complete.

We Pray With our Spirit

We use our spirit to pray and fellowship with God. Through prayer we may build up our friendship and relationship with God. Prayer is very simple, we just talk to God from our heart. He already knows what we are thinking and feeling but He likes us to talk to Him and share with Him everything that is in our heart.

Sometimes we don't know exactly what words to say when we pray to the Lord, but we can simply talk to Him the best we are able. He understands our heart. It is just like when a baby is crying, not knowing what it wants to say, it just needs to get its mother's attention. The mother will know what the baby needs. The baby may be hungry, it might need to be changed, or it might just want the mother's company. In the same way, when we pray to God, He always understands our heart.



Like a mother knows what her child needs, God always knows what we need.

We Need to Learn To Trust in God

Because God loves us, we can trust Him with all our heart. He loves us more than we could know. God watches over us twenty-four hours a day, that is all day every day, and all night every night. He takes care of us and will help us through every difficulty that comes our way.

Sometimes things happen to us that we don't like. Sometimes it seems that we are being treated unfairly. There are even times when we would like things to change that will

never change. We should not allow our heart to be overly troubled. We just need to trust in God and in His wisdom. He knows what is really best for our lives. Only God can see tomorrow. Some of the things that we don't like today can be our best helpers in the future. We should learn to love God and to trust in His wisdom. Prayer will help us learn to trust in God.

--- Questions for Discussion ---

1. How can we use our spirit to fellowship with God?

2. Explain how prayer can be simple.

3. What should we do if we don't know the words to pray?.

4. Why should we trust God and open our heart to Him?

5. What should we do when we experience difficulty?

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