

3. Conclusion: If it were not for his light we could not see; if it were not for his life we could not live. Therefore when we pray we remind our God, so to speak, of his importance to us and in the trust that this knowledge imparts we go about our tasks for the honor of God.

III. CONCLUSION

It is not my contention that prayers should be repeated although I am making no rules on this. I do think they may be prayed. I believe this to be the case with this prayer. In the praying of it one comes to have a deeper sense of his own union with God and what God means to him in the path of life. To that end we would be the wiser if we prayed it the more.

But the steps that mark it may be useful in all of our petitioning of God. We might well make the matter of relationship of firsthand importance. Likewise commitment, yieldedness, and dependence could serve as outlines for our prayers. If they did they would prevent us from telling God how the universe ought to be run and would instruct us in how our lives should be lived before him.

You will find it interesting to take the formula of this prayer and compare it with the structure of John 17 and other Biblical prayers. After so doing you will marvel that we have been so slow to pray the "Lord's Prayer".