

Rejoice in our confident hope. Be patient in trouble, and keep on praying. Romans 12:12 (NLT)

“Is prayer your steering wheel or your spare tire?” - Corrie Ten Boom

Three simple instructions:

1. **Keep it Simple.**
2. **Keep it Real.**
3. **Keep it Up.**

One day Jesus told his disciples a story to show that they should always pray and never give up.
Luke 18:1 (NLT)

Study Guide

1. Read this paraphrase of Matthew 6:7-8, as written in The Message:

“The world is full of so-called prayer warriors who are prayer-ignorant. They’re full of formulas and programs and advice, peddling techniques for getting what you want from God. Don’t fall for that nonsense. This is your Father you are dealing with, and he knows better than you what you need. With a God like this loving you, you can pray very simply.”

2. What do you think about that passage, expressed that particular way?
3. Does it challenge your thinking or your approach to prayer? How or why?
4. Briefly review our simple teaching points from Sunday. How might your prayer experience be influenced by:
 - Keeping it Simple?
 - Keeping it Real?
 - Keeping it Up?
5. ... uhmhhh ... pray ... ?