

PRAYER'S FELLOWSHIP

But when you pray, go away by yourself, shut the door behind you, and pray to your Father secretly. Then your Father, who knows all secrets, will reward you.

Matthew 6:6

Of more importance than all your requests is this one thing – the childlike living assurance that your Father sees you and that you have now met Him face to face. With His eyes on you and yours on Him, you are now enjoying actual fellowship with Him.

Fellowship is the living interchange of giving God your love, your heart, and your life and receiving from God His love, His life, and His Spirit. We were created for fellowship with Him. He made us capable of understanding and enjoying God, entering into His will, and delighting in His glory.

The greatest hindrance to fellowship is anything that keeps our heart and mind occupied instead of leading us to God Himself. What a difference it would make in the life of many Christians if everything were subordinate to the one decision to walk with God throughout the day. What encouragement when we can say: God has taken charge of me; He is going with me; I am going to do His will all day in His strength; I am ready for all that may come. Yes, what a change would come into our lives if secret prayer were not only an asking for knowledge of strength, but the giving of our lives for one day into the safekeeping of a faithful God.¹

¹ Andrew Murray, Teach Me To Pray