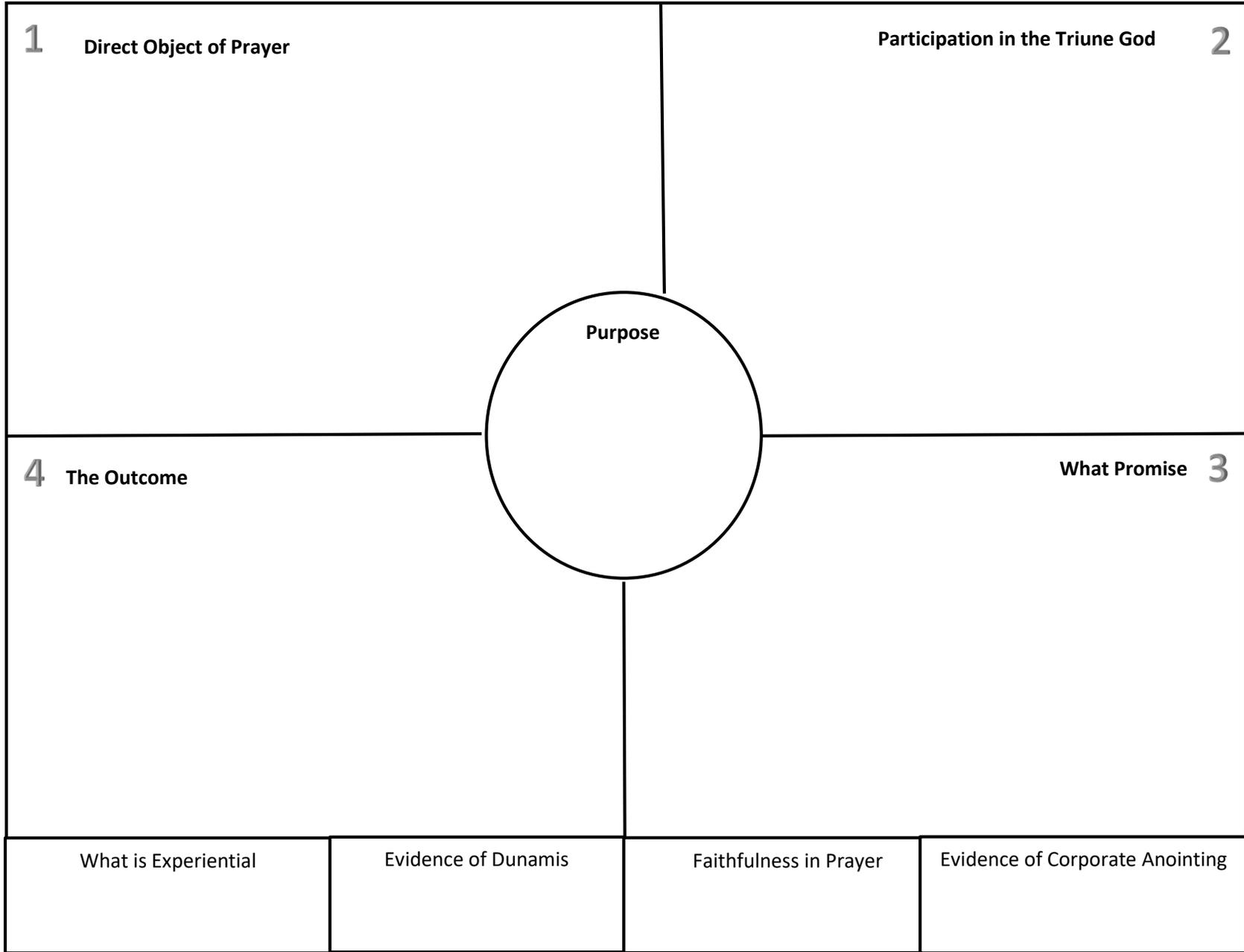


# Prayer Focus Fields



**Using the Prayer Focus Template:**

This is a framework to study Prayer and the prayers in the Bible. There will be some passages and chapters suggested, some of which we will use for practicing this method. This framework is intended to move followers of Jesus from belief to behavior. Our mission is to train practitioners of “The Way”. The “Way” indicated a way of living, not just a set of ideas and/or opinions of what is right. We seek to move from conviction to action. As such, the final 2 steps/questions at the end this page are perhaps the most important. These are marked **5** and **6**.

- Begin with the Lord’s Prayer in Matthew 6:9-13. Then use Eph. 1:15-21, Eph. 3:14-21, then the prayers in Acts, the Psalms, Moses, etc.
- The group, all together are in smaller groups read through the whole passage twice
- Then you go through the points in the framework and write in the square what verses correlate to the topic given. For example, in reading the Lord’s Prayer you would first write down every verse that indicates an object of the prayer. Write “verse 9” in square 1, the object is the Father. Write in square 2, verse 9, for the Father and the Son. We are the object in verse 11. And so on.
- As a group, go through the passage verse by verse, writing in the relevant box, where the verse corresponds to that topic.

**5** Now, using 2 Timothy 2:1 as a guide, write out below what type of prayers are being made. If more than one type is then write what verse each one appears in. “First of all, then, I urge that petitions (specific requests), prayers, intercessions (prayers for others) and thanksgivings be offered on behalf of all people”.

| Petition | Prayers (General) | Intercession | Thanksgiving | Praise/Adoration |
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The most important of all are these last 2 questions

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**6 What is God saying to me?** Take 4 minutes, quietly pray, ask God what He is saying to you.

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**7 What is God asking me to do?** Take 4 minutes, quietly pray, ask God what He is asking you to do.

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The goal is commit to regular personal prayer. When will you begin? \_\_\_\_\_ When will you schedule that time/day? \_\_\_\_\_

The next goal is to begin regular prayer in the home. When will you begin? \_\_\_\_\_ When will you schedule that time/day? \_\_\_\_\_

The next goal is to begin united prayer. When will you begin? \_\_\_\_\_ When will you schedule that time/day? \_\_\_\_\_

Talk with your smallest groups about becoming prayer partners. Who is your prayer partner? \_\_\_\_\_

When will you begin? \_\_\_\_\_ When will you schedule that time/day? \_\_\_\_\_

Keep loving, affirming accountability with your prayer partner. When you meet, share your needs and pray for them together. Use the pattern of the Lord's prayer, we pray for His glory, and His kingdom first. We are to seek these before our necessary needs. A prayer time could look like:

- Meet and greet
- What are you celebrating
- What is challenging you
- Share one another's burdens

Examples of what you may Pray:

- Glorify the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit
- Seek His kingdom expansion, perfectly, everywhere
- Pray for your Nation
- Pray for the nation's leaders
- Pray for our State, and its leaders to be blessed by God with righteousness and wisdom and love
- Pray for your city and community
- Pray for your church to be filled with the Holy Spirit
- Pray for yourself, to be filled with the Spirit – pray the Ephesians 3 prayer for yourselves
- Ask for your needs in health, subsistence, peace, spiritual, emotional and physical needs
- Give much thanks for past faithfulness. Praise the Savior