

There are some stark similarities with roads and prayer. Some roads are straight forward, while others tend to twist and turn, there are long and narrow roads, there are short and wide roads. Roads have single lanes and multiple lanes. There are even one-way roads. Roads can be smooth while others are bumpy, paved or only dirt and gravel. At times we have to take detours, not using the roads we first intended.

Signs are also posted along roadways to help us along the way: caution, slow, move over, stop, dead end, speed limits, miles to our destination, etc. Praying takes on these same characteristics. In our communicating with God (prayer) we probably have taken some or all of these roads.

Our requests are straight forward, or we take the twists and turns when praying. Our prayers can be on the 'one-way road' — us doing all the talking. At times our thoughts and words are spoken smoothly but other times we seem to hit every bump on the way. 'Only have time for one prayer today, God, or there are so many requests on my list.'

As we listen for God's heart thru prayer, He may be saying slow down, stop, mover over (I have a better plan) or take a detour (pray with a different attitude)

Consider prayer like a road. It can take us to a new, different, and better destination.

Read Philippians 4:6-7

Why is it that most of us would rather worry and stew about things rather than immediately go to God in prayer? What is the key to actually “letting go” of our requests when we present them to God?

Read Matthew 7:7 - 11

How does this verse give you more desire to pray specifically and how does it increase your faith?

What is one thing you will believe God for this week and pray for specifically?

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On The Road With Jesus

The Road to Answered Prayer

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Mark 10:46-52

Know Your Source

Luke 4:18 Heb 10:19-22

Ask Immediately and Persistently

Matt 7:7-11 Luke 18:1-8

Ask Specifically

1 Kings 3:5 John 15:7