

Hebrews 4:15-16 – “For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. Therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.”

PRAYER IS TALKING AND LISTENING TO GOD (PART II)

Verse 16 begins with “therefore,” connecting it to the preceding paragraph about the Word of God (12). After the Word has divided your soul and spirit, divided your joints and marrow, and discerned your thoughts and motives, you are invited to the throne of grace. This is your invitation to talk to Jesus. The first thing you will receive from Him is mercy. After that you will find grace. This is the talking side of prayer. When Jesus was resurrected and raised to Heaven, He sat down on the throne of grace as your High Priest. He is seated there to hear your confessions, to give you another chance, and to help you with your weaknesses. The conviction of the Word will lead you to Jesus, so He can intercede for you before the Father. Don’t make prayer complicated. Find a secret place. Meditate on the Word for a few minutes. Then talk to the Lord. As you are listening to God and talking to Him, He is talking and listening to you. Prayer is a conversation. A conversation with God is two-way prayer. Make two-way prayer the norm. Stay in fellowship with Jesus through the Word and prayer. God will change your life one day at a time.