

Session 4 – Drawing Near to Speak to God

Drawing Near: Basics of a Relationship with God – 2025

I. Introduction

A. Definitions

1. **Wayne Grudem:** “Prayer is personal communication with God.”
2. **Charles Hodge:** “Prayer is the soul’s conversation with God.”
3. **Jl Packer:** “Prayer is fellowship with God.”
4. **Tonight’s focus:** Prayer is responding to the God who speaks.

B. Daniel 9:1-19

II. In prayer, we respond to God’s revelation.

III. In prayer, we share what is on our heart with God.

A. Adoration - We worship God.

B. Confession - We repent of sin.

C. Petition - We ask of God.

**IV. In prayer, we appeal to God's character and reputation,
not to our own merits.**

V. Application: How do we respond?