



Not Like That

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0:00:00.5 Speaker 1: So one day, while Jesus was praying, his inner circle of disciples were watching and listening to him pray, not for the first time. But on this occasion, one of them finally mustered the courage to say or basically to ask what they've been wanting to ask for quite some time. So when Jesus was finished praying, one of them approached him on behalf of the whole group, and they said, "Lord, would you teach us how to pray?" After watching and listening to him pray, they concluded that... [chuckle] It's kind of funny. They concluded that maybe they'd been doing it wrong, that they had been praying the wrong way, even though they had been praying their entire lives.

0:00:38.0 Speaker 1: They'd been brought up praying portions of the Psalms, combinations of some Old Testament writings, they'd been taught to pray by their fathers, and their mothers, and their religious leaders. So they were actually still praying the way they had been taught to pray, as children reciting memorized prayers. And then Jesus came along. And well, if he was praying correctly, if that's the way it was done, they had a lot to learn. And for reasons we will never know, Jesus actually waited to be asked, and eventually, they asked. And when they asked, they said, "Lord, we need you to teach us how to pray. We wanna pray the way that you pray."

0:01:16.5 S1: Now, I would imagine this is something you've never ask anyone to teach you how to do. In fact, if someone... Imagine this, if someone, after hearing you pray, suggested that you should go learn how to pray because you weren't doing it right, well, you would be offended. I mean, "Hey, you know that prayer that you prayed before dinner the other night? That's not how you do it. I need to sit you down and teach you how to pray." And to that very point, in about, I don't know, maybe 10 minutes from now, Jesus is actually gonna tell us something about prayer that it might offend you. But you won't be upset with Jesus, you'll be upset with me because I'll be the one telling you that according to Jesus, you aren't praying correctly.

0:02:00.4 S1: So get ready because Jesus is about to school all of us on prayer, but we should actually be happy about that, you should be happy about that. Because let's be really honest for a moment, very few of our prayers ever really get answered anyway, unless we count the prayers about things that were