



IT'S NOT ROCKET SCIENCE



There aren't a bunch of amazing tricks to prayer that haven't been uncovered yet. Using prayer is very simple and straightforward, but what makes all the difference is:



Dear Jesus, I ask...

1

Actually doing it—using it.

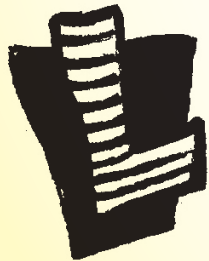


In Jesus' name, amen!

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Making it count—making it quality by learning to focus, persevering in prayer, and putting forth the effort needed to bring results.

Prayer is not rocket science; it's a discipline that requires effort. Laboring in prayer,¹ as it has been referred to in the Bible, requires you to "be earnest and disciplined in your prayers,"² because "the earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results."³



Lean on prayer and be willing to persevere in your prayers when the answer does not come immediately or in the way or on the timeline that you imagine. A disciplined man or woman of prayer never gives up on praying⁴; they trust that God will bring the answer at the right time and in the right way.

You don't get prayer muscles like these babies without putting in the hard yards!



"Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours" (Mark 11:24 ESV).

¹ See Colossians 4:12.

² 1 Peter 4:7 NLT

³ James 5:16 NLT

⁴ See 1 Thessalonians 5:17.