

HOW WOULD YOU ANSWER THE FOLLOWING OBJECTIONS TO PRAYER:

1. We should accept life's problems without bothering God with them.

What did Jesus teach about this in Luke 11:5-13? _____

What does James tell us to do when we are afflicted? (Jam. 5:13) _____

What does Hebrews 4:15-16 teach us? _____

2. God knows everything about us and what we need so why pray?

Discuss Matthew 6:25-33. _____

What does James 4:2 teach us about prayer? _____

If we need not pray, how can we make sense of 1 Thessalonians 5:17, Colossians 1:9?

What purpose did Cornelius' prayer serve? (Acts 10:1-4) _____

3. Prayer will never change God's mind.

What do the following verses teach us about this:

Exodus 32:9-14 _____

2 Kings 20:1-6 _____

2 Cor. 12:7-9 _____

What is conclusion of the matter (Mt. 26:39)? _____

4. God expects us to work out our own problems with no help from Him.

What can we learn from Exodus 14:13-22? _____

What did Jesus say was impossible to accomplish without prayer and fasting? (Mk. 9:14-29)

What are some other things that are impossible without prayer today? _____

Can you think of any other reasons people reject prayer? _____