

## **The Interpreter – Part II** **(Lift: Carried by the Wind of the Spirit – Part IV)**

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1. The focus for today is on the role of the Holy Spirit in our prayer life. The concept of prayer seems so simple. We communicate our thoughts, desires, questions, pleas, and praise to God, trusting that He will answer. But sometimes we may find ourselves wondering whether anyone is listening. Briefly consider the following questions:

A. Do you get things from God?

B. Why should we ask God for things He already knows what we need?

C. Are you uncomfortable with silence during your prayer time?

2. Paul stated that we often don't know what to pray or even how to pray. Think about that as you read Romans 8:18-21. Who or what is Paul talking about when he states that "creation was subjected to frustration"?

3. Read Romans 8:22-25 and try to sort out what we have now versus what we will need to wait to receive.

4. Read Romans 8:26-28 to see what role the Holy Spirit plays in our prayer life.

5. How is it that the Holy Spirit is our intercessor (v. 26), when Christ is also described as our intercessor with the Father.

6. Read Jude 20-21 to find a description of the Holy Spirit helping us with our prayers. Pastor Steve described several things that “praying in the Spirit” is not. What are they?

A

B

C

7. Now that we have covered what “praying in the Spirit” is not, list the key points of what it is:

A

B

C

8. What are the three roles we can assume when praying and in what role do we find ourselves when praying in the Spirit (Pastor Steve referred to these as “postures”)?

A

B

C