



The Spirit Helps Us Pray

By Robert Brandt and Zenas Bicket

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The Spirit Helps Us Pray, A Biblical Theology of Prayer by Robert Brandt and Zenas Bicket (GPH) is a classic spirit-filled treatise on prayer. But don't let its first publication date-written over 40 years ago- make you think it's outdated. Au contraire: It is transforming and fresh! Its spirit-filled perspective and practical application of the subject will transform your own attitude toward prayer:

Prayer is the most intimate expression of the Christian life. Why, then, is it so neglected?

We live in an age that avoids intimacy and close relationships... Then, too, we are busy. We live to perform rather than to be. We admire the active life more than character and relationships. Success is measured by what one accomplishes; so we run, run, run- trying to accomplish all that we can in our waking hours. More concerned about performing than about being, we refuse to accept the biblical reality that human achievement is temporary and fleeting. Only the work of the Spirit is permanent and eternal. Prayerlessness keeps us from achieving the very thing we so desperately need to achieve. Prayerlessness is really godlessness (p.19.)

Further, Brandt and Zenas remind us of the essentialness of praying in the spirit, and use the whole counsel of the Scriptures to show the centrality of prayer to the success of God's people since the Patriarchs. The authors further bless the reader with accounts of the power of prayer in the lives of God's people today.

This book will bring spirit-filled perspective to revive your prayer life and the lives of those to whom you minister. Have you had a lack of the power of prayer in your life? Or perhaps you are preparing a teaching on Prayer? Then this resource should not be missed.