

# ★ Teach Us to Pray Lesson 4

## The Instruction of Christ

### The Teacher's Preparation

**Scripture Passages to Study:** Matthew 6; Luke 11

**Study Guide:** Read "Teach Us to Pray: *The Instruction of Christ*" from *The Life of Christ - Part 2*.

**Lesson Objective:** Many Christians are like the disciple who approached Jesus in Luke 11:1 and asked Him, "Lord, teach us to pray." We need God to teach us how to pray, and then we need Him to help us pray consistently!

**Lesson Application:** I will make an appointment to meet with God and keep it every day!

**Memory Verse:** Matthew 6:6



"THY WORD HAVE I HID IN MINE HEART..."

*But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.*

—Matthew 6:6

### The Teacher's Checklist

- Activity Worksheets and Pencils
- Attendance and Record Notebook
- Lesson Plan
- Cue Card
- Memory Verse Card
- Music Player
- Visual Illustrations for the Lesson
- Attention Getter: Lamp

### Teacher Tips

Never give up on anybody. Even the most difficult child can grow into a respectable adult with prayer, love, and persistence.

# The Teacher's Lesson Plan

## Materials:

Lamp with a plug (If you do not have an electrical outlet in your classroom, a flashlight powered by batteries will be fine for this illustration. Simply reword your statements to make your point.)

## What You Could Say:

Have you ever counted how many times you switch on a lamp in one day? We do it so often that we hardly think twice about what we're actually doing. We believe that the lamp will turn on once we flip the switch. However, if the lamp is not plugged into an electrical outlet, the lamp will not work the way it is supposed to work.

If we do not pray, we will not be the Christians we are supposed to be. Our Lord gives us the power, strength, and wisdom we need; but if we do not meet with Him everyday, we become like the lamp—unusable until it's plugged into the right source.

# Teacher's Notes

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In my view, the Christian religion is the most important and one of the first things in which all children, under a free government ought to be instructed.

—Noah Webster