

WHAT IS PRAYER?

Prayer is the opening of the heart to God, as to a friend.

Prayer does not bring God down to us, it brings us up to Him.

Prayer is the key in the hand of faith to unlock heaven's storeroom.

Through sincere prayer we are brought into connection with the mind of the Infinite.

Unceasing prayer is the unbroken union of the soul with God, so that life from God flows into our life.

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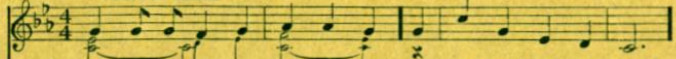
Prayer Is the Soul's Sincere Desire

Audite Audientes Me. C.M.D.

JAMES MONTGOMERY, 1819; the rhythm of line 2 is revised; with a verse from COLERIDGE'S "The Ancient Mariner," used as a refrain

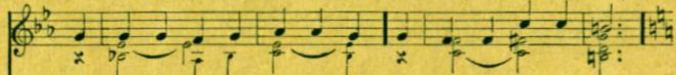
ARTHUR SULLIVAN, 1875

Voices in unison



1. Prayer is the soul's sin - cere de - sire, Un - ut - tered or ex - pressed;  
2. Prayer is the bur - den of a sigh, The fall - ing of a tear,  
3. Prayer is the sim - plest form of speech That in - fant lips can try;  
4. Prayer is the Chris - tian's vi - tal breath, The Chris - tian's na - tive air,

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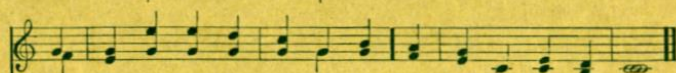
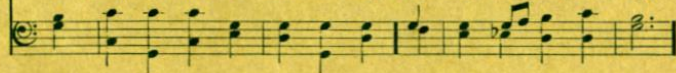
The mo - tion of a hid - den fire That trem - bles in the breast.  
The up - ward glancing of an eye When none but God is near.  
Prayer the sub - lim - est strains that reach The Ma - jes - ty on high.  
His watch - word at the gates of death; He en - ters heaven with prayer.



Voices in harmony



He pray - eth best who lov - eth best All things both great and small;  
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O Thou, by whom we come to God, The life, the truth, the way,



For the dear God who lov - eth us, He made and lov - eth all.  
For the dear God who lov - eth us, He made and lov - eth all.  
For the dear God who lov - eth us, He made and lov - eth all.  
The path of prayer Thy - self hast trod; Lord, teach us how to pray.

