

AUTHENTIC PRAYER: DECLARING

Psalm 119 — August 30, 2009

Introduction

We are in a battle in which eternity is at stake.

Jesus has given us prayer as a way to advance His kingdom.

But to be effective prayer must be heart-felt.

So what can we do to make our prayer more heartfelt?

We can declare to God truth about God and about ourselves, as the psalmist does in Psa 119.

**Your hands have made me and fashioned me;
give me understanding that I may learn your commandments (v.73)**

**Great is your mercy, O Lord;
give me life according to your rules. (v.156)**

**I am yours; save me,
for I have sought your precepts. (v.93)**

**You are my hiding place and shield;
I hope in your word. (v.114)**

Two suggestions

Pray Psalm 119 and other psalms.

Give time and thought to what you pray.

