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Part 5

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Welcome

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**Why pray out loud? - *(even when you are alone)***

We are uniquely created with the gift of speech.

 Creative element to it.

God created us in His image…

 …and He spoke everything we know into existence.

The covenant blessings (and cursings) were spoken over the people

Prayer has this dynamic both in private and in group (public) settings.

We have the responsibility (indeed the power)

to change the spiritual atmosphere

**Jesus teaches His disciples to pray out loud - Luke 11:1-2**

**Another example: Acts 4: 23-26**

**What to pray for? Proverbs 4:7**

Wisdom is another: (where things are not explicitly said in the Bible)

 -‘the ability to decide / discern in situations with nuance

- ‘good judgement / application of knowledge’ / common sense’

**OT Eg.** Young Solly asks for wisdom: **1 Kings 3:5, 7-9**

(The Gibeonites were the local sneaks)

In his case, to lead the nation

In our case, to lead our families

 (lead our own lives even)

**The reward**: because he asked right, Solomon got rewarded with ‘stuff’ – lots of it. - **1 Kings 3: 10 -14**

**What about New Testament? Ephesians 1:17-19**

**James said if we lack wisdom, ask for it - James 1:5**

**Heavenly wisdom differs from the world’s wisdom:**

**James 3: 14**

**Final Take Away & Communion**

**Targeted prayer hits the target**

**Ephesians 6:18**

*“And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with* ***all kinds of prayers*** *and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people.”*