

# Prayer is the Soul's Sincere Desire

"Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit..." — Ephesians 6:18

Tune: CAMPMEETING

Traditional American Melody

James Montgomery 1818

Harmony arr., Robert G. McCutchan 1935

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 con - trite sin - ner's voice, Re - turn - ing from his ways;  
5. Prayer is the Chris - tian's vi - tal breath, The Chris - tian's na - tive air,  
6. The saints in prayer ap - pear as one In word, in deed, and mind;  
7. No prayer is made by man a - lone The Ho - ly Spir - it pleads,  
8. O Thou, by whom we come to God, The Life, the Truth, The Way,

1. The mo - tion of a hid - den fire That trem - bles in the breast.  
2. The up - ward glanc - ing of an eye, When none but God is near.  
3. Prayer, the sub - lim - est strains that reach The Maj - es - ty on high.  
4. While an - gels in their songs re - joice And cry, "Be - hold, he prays!"  
5. His watch - word at the gates of death; He en - ters heav'n with prayer.  
6. While with the Fa - ther and the Son Sweet fel - low - ship they find.  
7. And Je - sus, on th'e - ter - nal throne, For sin - ners in - ter - cedes.  
8. The path of prayer Thy - self hast trod; Lord, teach us how to pray!

## Coda

A - men.