

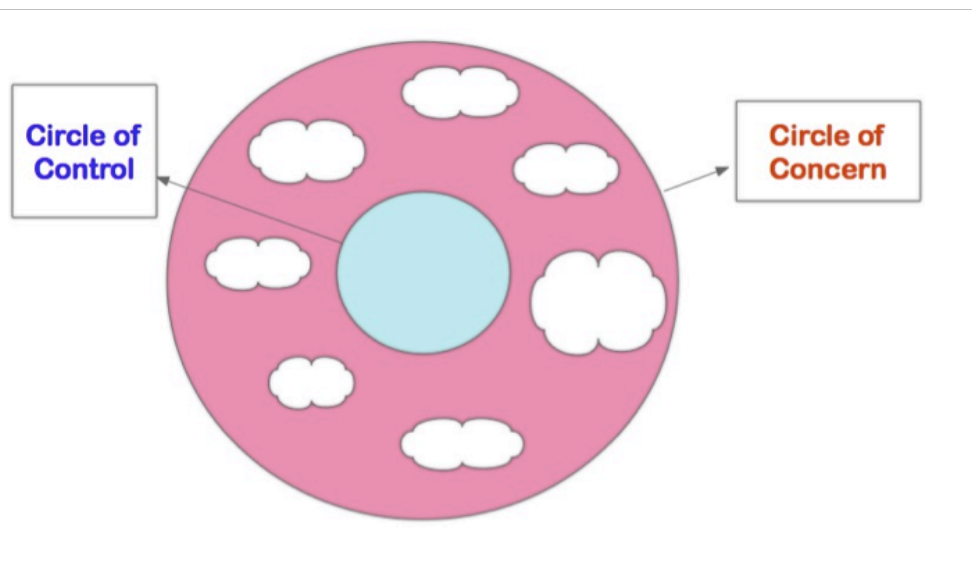
Why Pray?

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1. I pray so I can find God's Peace.

Phil. 4:6-7

*"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. 7 And the **peace of God**, which transcends all understanding, **will guard your hearts and your minds** in Christ Jesus."*



Col. 3:15

*"Let the **peace of Christ** rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were **called to peace**. And be thankful."*

2. I pray so I can fulfill God's Purpose.

John 14:12-14

*"Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me **will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things** than these, because I am going to the Father. 13 And **I will do whatever you ask in my name**, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14 **You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.**"*

- Praying "In Jesus' Name" means praying the prayer Jesus would pray.

Luke 22:42

*"Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet **not my will, but yours be done.**"*

John 15:16

*"You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you **so that you might go and bear fruit**—fruit that will last—and so **that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you.**"*

- How I pray reflects my understanding of the Kingdom of God.

Col. 3:17

*"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, **do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus**, giving thanks to God the Father through him."*