

1) Recall what prayer is not, and the three steps (or building blocks) of true prayer. Why did Coty say that “building blocks” might be a good name for these three rather than “steps”? How does Paul prayer in Colossians 1:9-12 exemplify these steps. What lessons do you need to hold on to from this teaching on prayer?

2) Coty said we often approach God like a voter approaches presidential candidates. What is the parallel? Why is the a wrong way to approach God? What does this have to do with unanswered prayer?

3) When God says no to our requests, what is He saying? How is this related to the three steps of true prayer? Apply your answer to a specific request you have made in prayer, which at this point seems to have received a negative answer from God.

4) When God doesn't give us the answer we desire, what does He give us? Consider again Colossians 1:9-12 as well as 1 Corinthians 10:13 in your answer. How is this related to the second step of prayer and our most important task?

5) In the sermon, Coty said something like, “God will answer positively any request you make for what you truly need to glorify Him.” Who determines what we truly need? How is this related to the previous question?