

## Prayer of the age is the prayer of the church

that exercises the authority standing in the position of ascension  
for the fulfilling of God's economy

**OL1:**The prayer of the age is the prayer of the church as the Body of Christ, the prayer that exercises the authority of Christ as the ascended Lord and Head of the Body, for the fulfilling of God's economy. [Mark 11:17](#) ...“My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations”...

**OL2:**The ascension of Christ indicates that the entire work of redemption has been completely accomplished. [Eph. 1:19](#) And what is the surpassing greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the operation of the might of His strength, [20](#) which He caused to operate in Christ in raising Him from the dead and seating Him at His right hand in the heavenlies, [21](#) far above all rule and authority and power and lordship and every name that is named not only in this age but also in that which is to come; [22](#) And He subjected all things under His feet and gave Him to be Head over all things to the church.

**OL3:**Because the church is the Body of Christ, the position of the church is exactly the same as that of Christ; since the Body is one with the Head, the position of the Body is exactly the same as that of the Head. The lordship of Christ was established by the ascension of Christ. ...Christ was given to be Head over all things “to the church.” Everything that the Lord has obtained and attained is not only for Himself but is also to the church.

**OL4:**The authority of the Body is the authority of the Head exercised by the Body; thus, the authority of the Body is the authority of the Head. Although the Body has this authority, this authority is not merely objective but is very subjective....The Lord said, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and disciple all the nations” (Matt. 28:18b-19a).

Application: I believe that new ones and young people are learning to pray-read the Word of God and to fellowship with the Lord as an intimate good friend. These are great things, so please continue to do so. This week we are going to go one step further and learn to pray “the prayer of the age”. The prayer of the age is beyond your natural understanding, so you should exercise your spirit and open your mind to enter into this truth.

For example, when atmosphere in a class, a club, or a department of a company is bad, and when there is discord and confusion, you shouldn't ask, “Lord Jesus, have mercy on me. I don't want to be in a place like this. Please help me.” Instead, you should pray a prayer that exercises the authority of the Head, “Lord Jesus, the source of this mess is Satan. Since God is light and we are children of light, we expose and cast out Satan's works of darkness by light. I do not agree with this situation. Satan, I will trample you under my feet!”

The testimony of a brother: “When I was in my master's degree program at graduate school, first I was told to do a very difficult experiment using my hands. It was difficult to get nice results from the experiment. I had large hands and was not good at handling details, so I was troubled and I desperately carried out the experiment while calling in my heart, “Oh Lord Jesus, oh Lord Jesus, oh Lord Jesus.” Marvelously enough, I was able to get nice results every time. Anxiety and awareness of weakness were subjected under my feet. And when I didn't know how to understand the results of the research and felt like I was smacking a wall and couldn't go on, as I walked around the campus, I prayed, “Lord, I don't know how to understand and go on. But You know. I can't remain in this state. I must break through by being one with You. Amen, Lord, I praise You.” On one hand, I enjoyed the presence of the Lord, and on the other hand, I prayed based on His authority. Marvelously enough, the wall was later removed and I was able to understand the results of the experiment correctly. I did not fully understand that prayer of the age at that time, but when I prayed by faith, I was able to rule with the Lord over the difficulties.

## 115 主を賛美する一彼を高く揚げる

1. 見よや，天上に座すイエス！主キリストの御座を！  
ひととしてたかめられ，えいこう，尊貴受く。
2. ひとのせいしつを着て，けいかくにより死ぬ，  
からだもてよみがえり，ひととし，昇天する。
3. 主のなかで，かみくだり，地じょうでひとに住む；  
主のなかで，ひとのぼり，かみとともに住む。
4. 主はかみとひとの調和，ひとにて，かみしめす；  
かみ・ひとなる主にあり，ひとは栄光を得る。
5. イエスはえいこうを受け，そのれいとして来る；  
イエスの人位とみわざを，そのれいはしめす。
6. えいこう受けたイエスと，しょうかいはつらなる；  
このイエスのれいにより，かく肢体は生きる。
7. 見よや，天上に座すひと！万ゆうの主の御座を！  
それは，すくいぬしイエス，とわに栄光あれや！

## 115 讚美主一祂的高舉

1. 看哪，耶穌天上坐着！我主基督登宝座！  
祂是那人神所高举，榮耀、尊貴已得着。
2. 祂曾穿上人的性情，照神计划且死过，  
带着身体从死复活，仍然是人升天坐。
3. 在祂里面神降为卑，神来地上同人处；  
在祂里面人升为高，人到天上同神住。
4. 祂是真神与人调和，神在人里被宣告；  
祂是真人与神联合，人在神里得榮耀。
5. 从那升天得榮耶穌，降下包罗万有灵；  
耶穌身位和祂工作，全由这灵来证明。
6. 和那升天得榮耶穌，今天召会能联合；  
藉着这位耶穌的灵，基督肢体能同活。
7. 看哪，一人天上坐着！万有之主在宝座！  
这是救主耶穌基督，榮耀、尊貴永得着！

## 132. Praise of the Lord - His Exaltation

1. Lo! In heaven Jesus sitting,  
Christ the Lord is there enthroned;  
As the man by God exalted,  
With God's glory He is crowned.
2. He hath put on human nature,  
Died according to God's plan,  
Resurrected with a body,  
And ascended as a man.
3. God in Him on earth was humbled,  
God with man was domiciled;  
Man in Him in heav'n exalted,  
Man with God is reconciled.
4. He as God with man is mingled,  
God in man is testified;  
He as man with God is blended,  
Man in God is glorified.
5. From the Glorified in heaven  
The inclusive Spirit came;  
All of Jesus' work and Person  
Doth this Spirit here proclaim.
6. With the Glorified in heaven  
Is the Church identified;  
By the Spirit of this Jesus  
Are His members edified.
7. Lo! A man is now in heaven  
As the Lord of all enthroned;  
This is Jesus Christ our Savior,  
With God's glory ever crowned!