

Prayer: What, Why, and to Whom?

Matthew 6:9-15

1. What is prayer?
2. Where or with whom should we pray?
3. Why should we pray?

COMMUNITY GROUP QUESTIONS

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Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or Community Group.

1. So how about you? How often do you pray? What draws you to prayer? What causes you to resist praying? What do you pray for most? Why? What difference does prayer make in your life?
2. What did you think about the definition of prayer given during Sundays message? Do you agree with it? What could you add to it? List some of the underlying questions you have about prayer and discuss them aloud.
3. Where so you spend most of your time praying? Do you have a set routine or schedule when you do most of your praying? How might creating a special atmosphere for your daily prayer time improve your communication with God?
4. How easy is it for you to pray with others? Do you find it difficult to pray aloud in a group with other followers?
5. What priority do you place on prayer? Contrast that with the priority that Jesus placed on prayer. Do you think this reflects on your love for God? Why or why not?
6. Will you participate in Prepare 2012? Have you thought about what you might fast from? Give it some thought, talk with others in your group about it, and ask God what you should do!

