

General Prayer Discovery Bible Study Topics

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Questions for a DBS on Prayer:

1. What stands out?
2. What can we learn about God?
3. What can we learn about people?
4. How is this kind of prayer different from the prayer we have known in the past?
5. How can we engage in this kind of prayer in our own lives?
6. How can we engage in this kind of prayer in our house churches and meetings?
7. Who can I train in this kind of prayer?
8. Who in my life that is far from God needs this kind of prayer?

Begin to Engage with God in Prayer

1. What is prayer: *John 15:1-8*
2. Why pray: *Luke 5:17-26*
3. How to pray: *Matthew 6:5-15*
4. Secret place: *Matthew 6:5-8*
5. Who is my neighbor: *Luke 10:25*
6. Can't keep it to ourselves (Lepers) *2 Kings 7:3-20*
7. Called to Cross barriers (Peter & Cornelius): *Acts 10:1-48*
8. God's heart for the nations: *Rev 5:7-9*

General Prayer Principles

Characteristics of a Pray-er

1. Like a child: *Mt 9:27-34* (blind & mute) and *Luke 11:14-23*
2. Good Father, Good Gifts: *Matthew 7:7-11*
3. Humility: *Luke 18:10-12*
4. Listening: *Acts 10:1-8*
5. Man Like Us: *James 5:13-18*
6. Persistence: *Luke 18:1-8*
7. Suffering: *Matthew 10:16-23*

Instructions for Pray-ers

1. Forgiveness & debtor: *Matthew 18: 21-35*
2. Restoration: *John 21:15-22*
3. Fasting: *Matthew 9:14-15*
4. Focused prayer - no distraction: *John 4:4-26*
5. Only do what you see the Father do: *John 5:16-20*
6. Binding and Loosing: *Matt 18:18-20*
7. Pray Now: *1 Thes 5: 16-18, Nehemiah 1:4-6 , and 1 Peter 1:3-12*
8. God our Refuge: *Psalms 91:1-16*
9. Count the cost: *Luke 9: 57-62*

Principles from the Gospels & Acts

1. Where is Jesus going? *Luke 10:1-12; John 1:39-41*
2. Ask God to Thrust out Laborers: *Matt 20:1-16*
3. Sent as Sheep among wolves (warfare): *Eph 6:10-20*
4. Fields White for Harvest: *John 4: 35-37*
5. Depend on God: *Matt 6:26-34*
6. Urgency of the task: *Luke 12:16-21*
7. Don't get bogged down (Peter & Felix: *Acts 24:1-21*)
8. Find the Person of Peace: *Acts 16:11-15*
9. Stay in the house that receives you: *Luke 10:5-10, Acts 16:13-15*
10. Work through the natural lines of relationship: *John 1:46-51*
11. Provision is in the place of obedience: *Matt 17:24-27*
12. Become one with them: *Phil 2:5-11*
13. Declare the Kingdom: *Luke 7:18-23*
14. Signs follow the sharing of the Word: *Luke 4:31-40*
15. Thanksgiving: *Matt 18:10-14; Lost Sheep/coin: Luke 15:8-32*

Cascading Movements

1. Extraordinary prayer: *John 15:1-8*
2. Authority of Scripture: *Heb. 4:8-16*
3. Abundant Gospel Sowing: *2 Cor. 9:8-13*
4. Intentional Gathering: *Heb. 10:19-25*
5. Every Member a Minister: *Eph. 4:7-13*
6. Bi-vocational Lay Leaders: *Acts 20:18-24*
7. Simple Church, Small Groups: *Acts 2:41-47*
8. Churches Planting Churches: *Matt. 28:18-20*
9. Urgency of the Task—Rapid Multiplication: *Acts 19:1-12*
10. Regions Beyond: *Rom. 15:14-24*
11. Enduring Through Suffering: *Heb. 12:1-13*
12. Signs and Wonders Follow the Word: *Mark 16:15-20* .

Remembering God's Voice - Habakkuk 2:2

1. The Stone of Ebenezer - 1 Samuel 7:1-12
2. Memorial in the Jordan - Joshua 4:1-7
3. Purim Established - Esther 9:20-28



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