

How to Pray According to Jesus (part 1)

Key Passage: Matthew 6:9-13

Reflect

Last week we learned about 10 hindrances to prayer, what do you feel like can hinder your prayer life or what has hindered your prayer life at times?

What did God's Word speak to your heart about today? What stood out to you in the message?

Review

- Today we learned as you enter prayer you must understand your relationship to God. How did Jesus say we are to view God as we enter into prayer? _____
 - Read the following verses and share what you learn from this Father-child relationship:
 - 1 John 3:1 - _____
 - Romans 8:14-15 - _____
 - Matthew 6:31-32, Matthew 6:8 - _____
 - John 1:17 - _____
 - Revelation 21:3-4 - _____
 - Have you ever felt "unworthy" to pray, why? Read the following story of the prodigal son, have you ever felt that way?
 - Luke 15:21-24 — 21; *And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.* 22; *But the father said to his servants, Bring forth the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet:* 23; *And bring hither the fatted calf, and kill it; and let us eat, and be merry:* 24; *For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry.*
 - In the story of the prodigal son, when he returned home he felt unworthy to even be called his fathers son, but how did the Father respond to him?
 - How does understanding God as a loving Father who longs for you to come to Him in prayer and pray constantly to Him overcome that feeling?
 - In the model prayer how many personal pronouns are used? What does that tell you?
 - How can we be selfish in prayer?
 - How can we do a better job of praying for others? Who can you begin praying for?
 - We also learned today to start prayer with praise
 - What does the word "hallowed" mean? _____
 - What did you learn about the importance of the "name" of God today?
 - How can you hallow God's name as you enter into prayer?

Apply

- How has today's message affected your view of how you enter into prayer?
- What can you apply this week to your prayer life from this message?

Outreach

- ✓ Who can you invite to Church next Sunday? _____

Verses used from Sunday Morning's Sermon: 1 John 3:1; Romans 8:15; Mark 14:36; Matthew 6:31-32; Matthew 6:8; James 1:17; Ephesians 1:2; Matthew 6:14-15; Revelation 21:3-4; 1 Thessalonians 5:17; Romans 5:8; Matthew 6:9; 2 Chronicles 20:6; Psalm 115:3; Isaiah 66:1; Isaiah 54:5; Jeremiah 32:27; Romans 10:9; Romans 10:13; Matthew 1:23; John 20:28; Psalm 33:6; Matthew 28:18; John 1:12