

- 1. Can you name a prayer to which God answered "no," for which you're thankful for his negative reply? Why was it better for him to deny you?
- 2. What is prayer? Can you think of times when you have offered up "prayer" in name only? What kinds of "not-really-prayer" prayers tempt you?
- 3. What makes consistent prayer so difficult?
- 4. Why must you maintain watchfulness in prayer? And for what?
- 5. How does thanksgiving in prayer fuel consistency in prayer?
- 6. Do you treat growing consistency in prayer as a process or a once-for-all wish? Why?
- 7. Why does Paul pray for results? Does such prayer negate the need for hard work? Personal responsibility?
- 8. What kind of "door" does Paul imagine?
- 9. What is the mystery of Christ? What must you do with it?
- 10. For what is the Session asking you to pray this year? Will you?