

Group Discussion Guide

Week of March 10, 2024

Ephesians 6:18-20 – A Posture of Prayerfulness

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

- If you could have a sit-down conversation with anyone in the world, alive or dead (besides Jesus) who would you choose and why?
- Have you ever had a conversation with someone famous? Who was it? Did they seem interested in what you had to say?

QUICK REVIEW

Looking over your notes from this past teaching... was there anything you heard for the first time, caught your attention, challenged you, or confused you?

MAIN POINT

Prayer is a PRIVILEGE. Prayer is POWERFUL. Prayer is the PATHWAY TO PEACE.

DIGGING INTO THE WORD

- Share some of your personal history regarding prayer...
 - Were you taught to pray when you were young?
 - What things were you taught about prayer?
 - Were you taught rote prayers?
 - Did your family pray at meals? What was that like?
- How is praying to God the SAME as talking with another person?
- How is praying to God DIFFERENT than talking with another person?
- If you were married and only talked to your spouse but never listened, what would that relationship be like?
- How can our relationship with God reflect that same scenario if we only talk to God but never listen to Him?

- How can we listen to God in a time of prayer?

READ – Ezekiel 22:30-31

- What was God waiting for?
- How did a lack of prayer effect the nation of Israel?

READ – Exodus 32:11-14

- What was the thing that provoked God's forgiveness of Israel?
- Why do you think God sometimes waits for a person to pray before He does something?
- How is prayer a PRIVILEGE?
- Share a time you found prayer to be a PRIVILEGE.
- How is prayer POWERFUL?
- Share a time you found prayer to be POWERFUL.
- How is prayer the PATHWAY TO PEACE?
- Share a time you found prayer to be the PATHWAY TO PEACE for you.

PRAISE REPORTS & PRAYER REQUESTS

Take some time each week to share prayer requests and praise reports.

Have someone in your group record these prayer requests and email them out to the whole group to be praying for each other throughout the week.

Close with a time of prayer.