



**TEACH US.**  
“LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY.”

**LUKE 11:1**

FUNDAMENTALS OF PRAYER:

**Q1:** WHAT is PRAYER?

**A1:** An OFFERING up of our DESIRES to GOD.

**Q2:** WHY would I WANT to PRAY?

PRAYER REVEALS YOUR HEART:

- Your PRAYER life says a lot about what you TREASURE.
  - a. ... in the EMPHASIS you PLACE on PRAYER.
  - b. ... in the INTENTIONALITY of your APPROACH to PRAYER.
  - c. ... in the SUBSTANCE of your PRAYERS.

GOSPEL CONFRONTATION:

- BEFORE GOD: We were DEAD to SIN.
- BUT GOD: MADE us ALIVE... through FAITH in JESUS CHRIST.
- NOW: HE is continually TRANSFORMING our LIVES to LOOK more like JESUS.

CALLING ATTENTION TO GOD'S GOODNESS:

- PRAYER does NOT come NATURALLY.
- BUT JESUS is our TEACHER and PERFECT MODEL.

PERSONAL OBSERVATIONS ON PRAYER:

1. PRAYER is a DISCIPLINE.
  - Your DESIRE for and CONVICTION of it's NECESSITY will GROW over TIME.
2. PRAYER is an ADMISSION to GOD that WE NEED HIM.
3. GOD uses PRAYER to HELP us VIEW life with HEAVENLY PERSPECTIVE.
4. PRAYER strengthens our FAITH in GOD'S CARE, PLAN and ACTIVITY.