

March 20th, 2022

The Circle Maker

Luke 18:1-5 NIV

1. Was there any one thing you most agreed with or disagreed with from last weekend's message? What was it and why?

2. Share with the group of a time that you were in a desperate situation. What did you do and what was your response?

3. In this past weekend's message, Pastor Terry spoke on the persistent widow and her desperation to see justice in her life by a judge who "neither feared God nor cared about people." In her time of desperation and persistence she threw caution and protocols out the window. In her persistence and desperation, she received the justice that she was owed. In the items below, share with the group of how in your faith journey and prayer life you would "pray like it depends on God and work like it depends on you."
 - a. An attack on your character.

 - b. Impending divorce or broken relationship with sibling/child.

 - c. Failing business or loss of a job.

 - d. Hardship or crisis caused by a diagnosis or health issue.

4. **Digging Deeper:** This Sunday, Pastor Terry shared that the term used by the judge in Luke 18:1-5 “she is wearing me out” is a boxing term. An act of desperation was used to wear the judge out in order for her prayers to be answered. Share with the group, those who feel comfortable, of what you are desperate to see God do in your life today.

a. What are you willing to do to get God’s attention in this situation?
(i.e. cut a hole in a roof; climb a tree in a three piece suit.)

b. Share with the group of what would change in your life if God were to answer your prayers.

c. What would be some healthy practices or spiritual habits that will allow for you to stay consistent and persistent in your prayer life and the prayers you are circling?

d. Is there anything you need to do as a result of what you’ve learned this week?

Closing in prayer: Close in a time of prayer this week. Ask for the guidance of the Holy Spirit of what promises you need to be circling. Also spend some time in prayer for our Easter service on Sunday, April 17th.