

**Sermon Series: FORWARD IN FAITH**

**Sermon Title: “Moving Forward in Prayer”**

**Scripture: Acts 2:42-46 (NIV)**

**INTRO:** Prayer is \_\_\_\_\_ (talking) and \_\_\_\_\_ (listening) to God. Prayer is like the \_\_\_\_\_ (breath) of life in our \_\_\_\_\_ (relationship) with God.

**I. I NEED TO COMMUNICATE WITH SOMEONE WHO (KNOWS) ME**

1. God knows \_\_\_\_\_ (each) one of us  
“But now, God’s Message, the God who made you in the first place, the One who got you started: ‘Don’t be afraid, I’ve redeemed you. I’ve called your name. You’re mine! When you’re in over your head, I’ll be there with you. When you’re in rough waters, you will not go down. When you’re between a rock and a hard place, it won’t be a dead end...Because I am God, you’re personal God, you’re Savior! I paid a huge price for you! That’s how much you mean to me! That’s how much I love you!’” (Isaiah 43:1-4, The MESSAGE)
2. God knows the number of \_\_\_\_\_ (hairs) on our head (Matthew 10:30)

**II. I NEED TO COMMUNICATE WITH SOMEONE WHO WILL (ENCOURAGE) ME**

1. Satan comes to \_\_\_\_\_ (discourage) us (2 Kings 19:3-4)
2. God is \_\_\_\_\_ (present) for us all the time (Psalm 23:4)

**III. I NEED TO COMMUNICATE WITH SOMEONE WHO WILL (CORRECT) ME**

1. God is in the business of correcting His \_\_\_\_\_ (children) (2 Chronicles 7:14)
2. God can’t correct us if we do not take the time to \_\_\_\_\_ (pray) (1 Thessalonians 5:17)
3. God uses prayer to \_\_\_\_\_ (change) me (James 5:13)

**IV. I NEED TO COMMUNICATE WITH SOMEONE WHO (LOVES) ME**

1. Love is willing to \_\_\_\_\_ (sacrifice) (John 15:12-13)
2. Christ understands our \_\_\_\_\_ (humanity) (Romans 8:26)
3. There is no \_\_\_\_\_ (limit) to what Christ can do (Acts 3:6-10)

**CLOSE:** “My House shall be called a House of Prayer” (Mark 11:17)

-21 Days of Prayer & Fasting (May 1-21)

-24 Hour Prayer Vigil (May 18 @ 6PM – May 19 @ 6PM)