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**Our Father in heaven,
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on earth as it is in heaven.**

**11 Give us this day our daily bread,
12 and forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.**

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“Communion with God is the end for which we were made, and prayer is the appointed means of attaining it.”

- J.I. Packer

“Prayer is the open admission that without Christ we can do nothing, and prayer is the turning away from ourselves to God in the confidence that He will provide the help we need.”

- John Piper



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What is prayer?

"Prayer as entering into fellowship with God by aligning our desires with His."

- D.A. Carson



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"Prayer is like the fastening of the cup to the wounded side of a pine tree to allow the rosin to pour into it. You are now nestling up into the side of God—the wounded side, if you will—and you allow his grace to fill your cup. You are taking in the very life of God."

-Stanley Jones

"I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing."

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BIG IDEA:

Prayer begins not with requests, but with remembering who God is, and who we are.



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*“Adoption is the highest privilege that the gospel offers:
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But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, 5 to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. 6 And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, Abba! Father! 7 So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

Galatians 4:4-7



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“If God were only a king, we would come trembling; if He were only a father, we might come presumptuously. But He is our Father in heaven — so we come boldly with reverence.” - Keller



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APPLICATION

Where do you struggle to believe God is both near and holy?



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To pray is to worship first

Hallowed - to be captivated, astonished, to be melted with grateful joy for who God is and what he has done.



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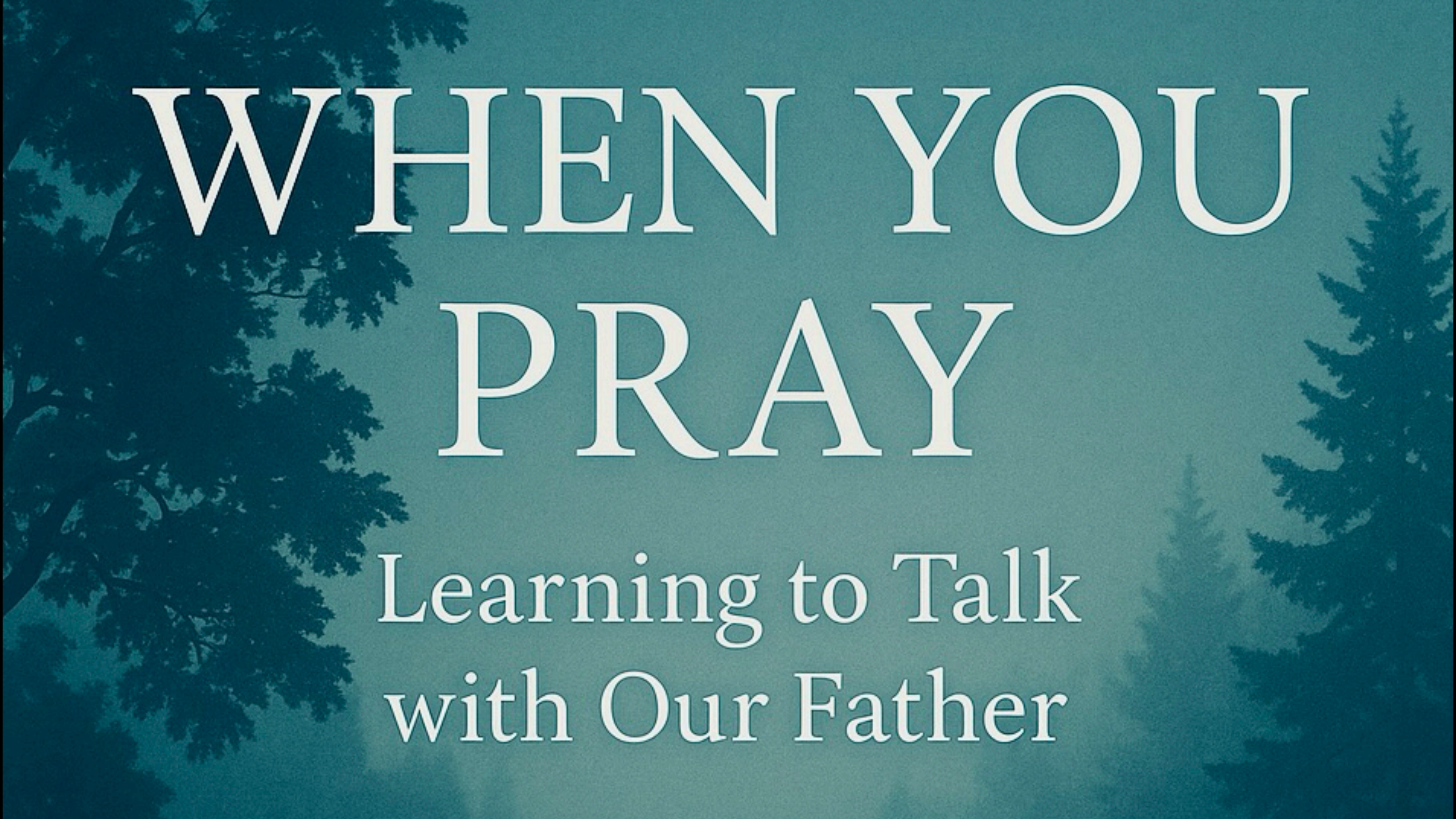
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