

Welcome: What is your favorite worship song, current or throwback?

Worship: <u>The Lord's Prayer (Acoustic) - Hillsong</u>

**Word:** Scripture References: 1 Chronicles 29:11-12, Matthew 6:5-15

- 1. What stood out to you the most in the message?
- 2. Read 1 Chronicles 29:11-12. "David had a secret: He understood the mountain of God." "David had a mountain and we do too." Discuss David's prayer and his right view of himself as a leader under the covering and blessing of God, no matter what sphere he operated under. How can we apply this to our lives and to our church body?
- **3. Read Matthew 6:5-8.** Discuss praying for performance vs. sincere prayer. Share what stood out you in these 3 verses.
- 4. Read Matthew 6:9. What is the first step in approaching God?
  - Have others in the group share how they begin a quiet time/prayer time. What changes might we make in how we begin a prayer/quiet time to better follow Jesus' teaching?
- 5. **Read Matthew 6:10-11.** Pastor Bryan stated that you might say *verse 10* is like our spiritual bread and *verse 11*, our material bread.
  - Discuss V10. Did you ever view this as a big, global statement or a personal prayer for seeking God's will in and through our lives?
  - "Deprivation leads to wisdom." Provision is not a problem with God (reference Matt. 6:31-33). How does this understanding shift how you pray? Do you spend more time praying V10 or 11?
- 6. Read Matthew 6:12. We don't worship our sin and forgiveness is critical. Why is having unforgiveness in our hearts such a major stumbling block in our ability to approach God?
- 7. Read Matthew 6:13. "You serve Me or you serve the devil." By serving yourself, you're serving the evil <u>one</u>. Everything evil, falls under the covering of the evil one and vice versa. Jesus is teaching us how to be a disciple, coming under the covering of God. In your own words, what would prayer statements following this example look like?

Witness: Let prayer change your heart for witness and renew your zeal for the things that matter to God. In the month of March, commit to praying the Lord's Prayer as Jesus taught, personally seeking God's kingdom come and His will be done in and through our lives, bringing us back into alignment with His will, whatever that may look like.