

## Conclusion: Expand Your Prayers

### A. Challenge:

1. To expand your prayers beyond having a laundry list of things to ask God for
2. To pray about God's character, kingdom, provision, forgiveness, guidance & protection?

### B. Application: What are some ways that you can grow in making prayer a way of life for you?

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## Sermon Notes

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### Life Shapes 6: Praying as a Way of Life (hexagon - The Lord's Prayer)

**Summary:** Sometimes our prayer life seems listless and empty. But God is inviting us to go deeper in our relationship with Him through prayer. As we walk with God, we experience the fullness of life that He wants to give to us through Jesus.

**Big Idea:** Using the prayer Jesus has given us, we can expand our prayers and grow in our walk with Him.

### Intro: Love & concern in the Hockey World

#### I. God's Love & Concern for You

##### A. God's Concern for You

1. We often try to \_\_\_\_\_ life on our own
2. Jesus created a clear \_\_\_\_\_ between you & God
3. God is always by your side ready to \_\_\_\_\_ you

##### B. God's love for you

1. We try to gain love by being \_\_\_\_\_ or performing well
2. God's unconditional love for you is not based on \_\_\_\_\_
3. It is based on who God is & what He \_\_\_\_\_

C. God is inviting everyone into a close personal relationship with Him

1. A relationship with God is \_\_\_\_\_ together with Him (Gen. 3a; Jer. 6:16)
2. Walking with God is also called The \_\_\_\_\_ (Jer. 6:16; John 14:6; Acts 24:14)

D. Vision & Mission:

1. We want to be a church that transforms lives by embracing new ways to reach new people for God's Kingdom.
2. We want to be a church that goes and makes disciples who make disciples by building relationships with people, serving them with God's love and truth and leading them into a growing relationship with Jesus.

## II. Prayer as a Way of Life

A. The Request

1. The disciples ask Jesus to teach them to pray (Luke 11:1)
2. Jesus' answer: This is how you should pray" (Luke 11:2)

B. The 6 phrases of the Lord's Prayer

1. The Father's \_\_\_\_\_ (Mt. 6:9)
2. The Father's \_\_\_\_\_ (Mt. 6:10)
3. The Father's \_\_\_\_\_ (Mt. 6:11)

4. The Father's \_\_\_\_\_ (Mt. 6:12)

5. The Father's \_\_\_\_\_ (Mt. 6:13a)

6. The Father's \_\_\_\_\_ (Mt. 6:13b)

C. Application

1. A \_\_\_\_\_ for prayer
2. A \_\_\_\_\_ for prayer
3. A way to pray for \_\_\_\_\_
4. A way to reveal sticking points that need more \_\_\_\_\_

## III. Imagine

- A. What could happen if all God's people were praying fervently for 6 aspects of the Lord's prayer?
- B. What doors could God open up for us to walk through if our prayers were focused on our Father's character, kingdom, provision, forgiveness, guidance & protection?
- C. How would your life change or our church change if we were all doing that?
- D. God wants to give us more life than what we are presently experiencing
  1. He is inviting us to get to know Him better
  2. And walk with Him more closely through prayer