



GREATER THAN

BIG IDEA

“Unanswered prayer may be attributed to praying to a god of our imagination - perhaps a Santa Claus kind of deity, instead of praying to the God of scripture.”

THOUGHTS FROM THE SERMON

1. How were you impacted by the message this week?
2. How have you seen God at work in your life or the life of others?

Read: Luke 1:5-25, Hebrews 4:14-16, Hebrews 7:23-25

3. What does it mean to pray to a god of your imagination?
4. How does the name ‘Immanuel’ help your prayer life?

Read: Isaiah 7:14, Luke 1:67-68, Matthew 1:23

5. How is Jesus greater than the priests of the Old Testament era?
6. Why is it important that we know that Jesus is always praying for us?

Read: Hebrews 4:14-16, Hebrews 7:23-25, Matthew 11:2

7. What did we learn about the throne of grace?
8. What confidence do you have that your prayers have been heard?

NOTES

PERSONAL REFLECTION AND APPLICATION

1. What has God shown you as you study his word this week?
2. Is there something God is asking you to surrender and trust him with this season?
3. How might you approach prayer differently moving forward this week?
4. How will you personally apply what you learned from the sermon to your life?

DEEPER

Pray: Take time to pray that people will give glory to the one who Christmas is intended to celebrate.

Read: Luke 1:5-25, Hebrews 4:14-16, Hebrews 7:23-25, Isaiah 7:14, Luke 1:67-68, Matthew, 1:23, Matthew 11:2. Take time to reflect on these passages and write down your thoughts.

Write: Write down your thoughts and insights from the sermon this week. Keeping a journal is just one more tool that you can use to track what God is showing you in your walk with him.

Sing: Listen to the worship songs from Sunday throughout the week. Look up the lyrics to each song and spend some time reading them.

Memorize: As a Life Group, pick a few verses from the sermon and memorize them this week. (Luke 1:5-25, Hebrews 4:14-16, Hebrews 7:23-25, Isaiah 7:14, Luke 1:67-68, Matthew 1:23, Matthew 11:2)

Love: Share this message of hope with someone you love.