

Going Further
For the week of July 28, 2024
Questions and Scriptures for further study

1. Read Matthew 6:1-18. What are some things you think are “acts of righteousness”? What do we lose when we do these to be seen by others? Why are we tempted to do this rather than seeking God’s approval?

2. What do these verses say about the importance of motives? Why our motives so important to God? What are your motives for doing “acts of righteousness”?

3. What does Jesus say is wrong about how the hypocrites and pagans pray? How does the prayer He teaches contrast with those ways of praying?

4. As you study the prayer of Jesus in vs. 9-13, what stands out to you? How can this prayer help you grow in your own prayer life? Consider using this an outline for your prayers, pausing after each verse to reflect on it and offering your own prayers to the Lord.

5. Jesus makes some strong statements about forgiveness in these verses. How do you understand what is being said here?

Family Devo: Read Matthew 6:9-13 together. Talk together about what this prayer Jesus gave us teaches us about prayer. Then take some time to pray together.