



Teach Us to Pray 2.18.18

One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When He finished, one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray..." Luke 11:1

Prayer is Not

Magic

Management

Manipulation

Mediation

1. **Prayer is Intimacy With God**
1 John 5:14-15, Jeremiah 29:11-14
2. **Prayer is Authentic Conversation**
Matthew 6:5-8, Hebrews 10:21-22
3. **Prayer is Being Parented**
Matthew 6:9, Jeremiah 33:3, Matthew 7:9-11
4. **Prayer is Awe Inspiring**
Isaiah 30:18, Hosea 6:6, James 4:8, Psalm 65:1-5

Action Plan

- ✓ Start or join a small group to pray with one another.
- ✓ Recite the Lord's Prayer every day this week.

Home/Group Study

"Prayer is both conversation and encounter with God. . . . We must know the awe of praising His glory, the intimacy of finding His grace, and the struggle of asking His help, all of which can lead us to know the spiritual reality of His presence."

Timothy Keller; *"Prayer: Experiencing Awe and Intimacy With God"*

1. What role has prayer played in shaping your relationship with God?
2. What do you think is the purpose of prayer?
3. Do you desire to deepen your prayer life? Why or why not?
4. What steps could you take to make your conversations with God more authentic?