



WESTMARK
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Group Guide

Week of 3/9/25

Prayer Guide: This week, try passing the sheet around and using these prompts for everyone to pray. If you'd like to read it verbatim, great! If you'd like to use the content to launch into your own, that's great too. Praying together is powerful!

1. Father, thank You for being a good and loving Father, always present and waiting to hear us in prayer.
2. God, I ask that You heal our father wounds and help us see You as the loving Father You truly are.
3. Lord, help me to come to You like a child, trusting that You will give me everything I need. Help me to stop pretending I can control so much.
4. Father, I pray that You would be glorified in my life, and that others would come to see You for who You really are through my life.
5. God, I long to know You more, and I ask that You reveal more of Your goodness and love to me.
6. Heavenly Father, I thank You for Your willingness to listen to our prayers, even when we don't know what to say.
7. Father, help me to embrace my helplessness and come to You in humility, trusting in Your provision and care.
8. Lord, I pray that we would turn to You with child-like faith, trusting in Your goodness and grace.
9. Father, I pray that You would be honored and revered by more people in our communities, and we would see our lost friends start following you.
10. God, I pray that You would strengthen our church and our communities, that we may reflect Your love to the world around us.
11. Lord, I pray that we would grow closer to You each day, learning to trust You more and experience Your love fully.
12. Father, help me to trust in Your willingness to answer my prayers and give me what is best for me.
13. God, I ask that You would work in my heart, helping me to see myself through Your eyes as Your beloved child.
14. Lord, help us to see the importance of prayer, and to come before You with sincere hearts, longing to know You more.



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Ice Breaker Questions

1. What's is a great memory you have from your childhood?
2. Would you rather hit almost every red light when you drive or have extremely slow internet?

Group Discussion: Matthew 6:9

1. How does our own relationship with our earthly fathers shape how you view God as our Father?
2. Have you ever found it difficult to pray out loud in front of others? What makes it awkward for you?
3. Jesus taught us how to pray, not just what to say. Why is it important to focus on our posture in prayer rather than just repeating words?
4. Martin Luther once said, "Prayer is not overcoming God's reluctance, but laying hold of His willingness." How does this quote change the way you think about approaching God in prayer?
5. What is your typical posture when you pray? Are you aware of any barriers you put up when talking to God, like defensiveness or skepticism?
6. Romans 8:15-17 says, "The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, 'Abba, Father.'" How does the idea of calling God "Abba" change how you approach Him in prayer?
7. In Matthew 7:7-11, Jesus compares God's generosity as a Father to that of an earthly parent who knows how to give good gifts. How does this passage affect your trust in God's willingness to give you what you need?
8. Sometimes, our view of our Heavenly Father is shaped by broken experiences with our earthly fathers. Can you think of a time when your view of God as Father has been challenged because of past wounds?
9. How do you think God begins to correct our broken views of what a father should be and should do?
10. The Lord's Prayer begins with "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name." Why do you think it is important to focus on God's holiness and majesty before presenting our requests in prayer?
11. What does it look like to pray relationally with God, as opposed to praying ritualistically or out of obligation?
12. Jesus teaches us to pray, "Our Father." What does it mean that we are part of a bigger family as children of God? How does this impact the way you view your relationship with others in the Church?