

## Teach us to Pray: Praying God's Word

### 1. People of the WORD

<sup>1</sup>Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers,<sup>2</sup> but whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on his law day and night. <sup>3</sup>That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither— whatever they do prospers. Psalm 1:1-3

### 2. Power of the WORD

<sup>12</sup>For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. Hebrews 4:12

### 3. Washing of the WORD

<sup>25</sup>Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, <sup>26</sup>that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, <sup>27</sup>so that he might present the church to himself in splendour, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. Ephesians 5:25-27

### 4. Praying God's Word – 1 Corinthians 13

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.

<sup>2</sup>And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing.

<sup>3</sup>If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Love is patient and kind;  
love does not envy or boast;  
it is not arrogant <sup>5</sup>or rude.

It does not insist on its own way;  
it is not irritable or resentful;

<sup>6</sup>it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth.

<sup>7</sup>Love bears all things, believes all things,  
hopes all things, endures all things.

<sup>8</sup>Love never ends.

#### Life Group Questions

1. Why is the Word of God so significant for us as believers?
2. How would you describe your relationship with the Word of God at the moment?
3. How does praying God's word help us as believers?
4. Which part of 1 Corinthians stood out to you the most as we prayed?
5. Why not choose a piece of scripture and pray it over one another?