

Live By Prayer

Questions

Getting Started

1. What insight, principle, or observation from this week's message did you find to be most helpful, eye-opening or troubling? Explain.

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Series: Life Lessons

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"Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples."" Luke 11:1 ESV

Prayer is learned through instruction and practice!

The Lord's Prayer is a Model for Praying

"Pray then like this: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil." Matthew 6:9–13 ESV

Worship—Our father...

Surrender—Your Will Be done..

Provision—Give us this day...

Fellowship—Forgives us our debts...

Relationships—As we forgive...

Protection—Deliver us from evil...

I Pray Because Jesus Prayed

"[Jesus], though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men." Philippians 2:6–7 ESV

Jesus Needed to Pray, So Do I

"Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full." John 16:24 ESV

The Church was Launched in a Prayer Meeting

"All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers." Acts 1:14 ESV

Paul was Relentless in Praying for Others

"I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience, as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day."
2 Timothy 1:3 ESV

Paul Admonishes Believers to Pray

"pray without ceasing," 1 Thessalonians 5:17 ESV

Paul Needed the Prayer of Others

"and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel,"
Ephesians 6:19 ESV

Prayer Keeps Us on Track

"do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."
Philippians 4:6–7 ESV

Prayer Unleashes God's Power of Blessing

"What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask." James 4:1–2 ESV

Jesus' Life Calls Me to a Prayer Commitment

"And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed."
Mark 1:35 ESV

A Glimpse into Jesus' Day

"And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath he entered the synagogue and was teaching." Mark 1:21 ESV

"And immediately he left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John." Mark 1:29 ESV

"Now Simon's mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told him about her." Mark 1:30 ESV

"That evening at sundown they brought to him all who were sick or oppressed by demons. And the whole city was gathered together at the door." Mark 1:32–33 ESV

"A little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to rest, and poverty will come upon you like a robber, and want like an armed man." Proverbs 6:10–11 ESV

Lesson #1: Put prayer first in my life by putting it first on my daily schedule

Lesson #2: I pray best when I have a place free from daily distractions.

Jesus Example

"And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone,"
Matthew 14:23 ESV

"Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to his disciples, 'Sit here, while I go over there and pray.'"
Matthew 26:36 ESV

"And he told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart." Luke 18:1 ESV

"He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, 'Give me justice against my adversary.' For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, 'Though I neither fear God nor respect man, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming.'" Luke 18:2–5 ESV

"And the Lord said, 'Hear what the unrighteous judge says. And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'" Luke 18:6–8 ESV