



Part Three: Big God, Big Prayers

Do you ever get bored of your prayers? Imagine prayer opened your eyes and allowed you to see God show up in your life. This week, we'll talk about how your prayer life can transform your worldview.

Scripture: Matthew 6:5-13 ESV

Bottom Line: We get God's attention when we give God attention.

Discussion Questions

1. In your experience, do you find it hard to pray on a consistent basis? What are some of the challenges that you have experienced? What are some of the positive experiences you have had with prayer?
2. Have you ever been guilty of treating God like a genie? What types of things have you prayed for during those times?
3. Read Matthew 6:5-8. What stands out to you in terms of what Jesus teaches us not to do when we pray? Do you ever feel pressure to have long eloquent prayers that impress people? Does this passage help alleviate any anxiety you have over prayer with other people?
4. Read Matthew 6:9-13. On Sunday we looked at how Jesus teaches us to honour God, surrender to God and depend on God through this prayer. Which elements of prayer do you find easier and which parts more challenging?
5. How can we know what kinds of things we should honour God by praying? Are there things that you have a hard time surrendering to God ("Your will be done.")? Do you have a hard time depending on God for certain things?

Moving Forward

How could your prayer life change to help you wrestle through some of those things? How would your life change if you consistently prayed the way that Jesus taught us to pray? What plan will you commit to in order to build up your discipline in the area of prayer?