



Building a Culture of Prayer

Praying is simply us talking and God listening; God talking and us listening. Yet for many of us, prayer is a hard practice to understand. With the insights of Christie Latta and Steve Cox, we are going to look at a variety of aspects of prayer. They will help and encourage us as to how we can develop individually and become a vibrant praying community.

Ice Breaker

If you could eliminate one thing from your daily routine, what would it be and why?

Introduction

When we look at the 'Early Church' it represents the best version of community that cares for each other, where each person is considered as important as each other. Everyone's needs are being met. Their fellowship with each other is full of contentment and joy. Have you experienced this version of community before?

Read Acts 2:42-47:

- What were the 4 practices that the Disciples 'devoted themselves' to?
- Why do you believe these are foundational to the church?
- How do these same 4 practices become essential to us personally?
- Many believe prayer is the hardest of these practices to understand. Why?

Read Colossians 4:2; Philippians 4:5-7; 1 John 4:15; John 17:15; James 5:13; Matthew 5:44; Matthew 26:41; Psalms 4:1; Psalm 145:18; Romans 8:26:

- What do each of these passages highlight about Prayer?
- What stands out for you from these passages?
- What are one or two things you have learned/been reminded of about the importance of prayer?

Moving Forward

What is the biggest obstacle in your Prayer life? What can we do as a Life Group/ church community to come alongside and help you?

Pray

As we discussed on Sunday, we are moving forward to building a culture of prayer in our church community. Share requests with each other and Pray for each other. Please prayerfully consider joining the Prayer Learning Group beginning in March.