



Discussion Questions

Date: Sunday, May 9, 2010

Sermon Title: FOUNDATIONS OF THE FAITH: *How To Pray For And Bless Everyone*

Scripture Passage: Luke 6:27-31

1. Have mothers talk and share about the burdens they feel for their children.

2. Discuss this quote, *“The tragedy of our day is not unanswered prayer, but unoffered prayer.”*

3. Which of the following 12 reasons of “Why Prayer Is So Important,” speaks to you the loudest?
 1. Prayer was of first importance in Jesus’ life. (Luke 5:16)
 2. Prayer was of first importance to the Apostles & early disciples. (Acts 1:14)
 3. Prayer moves the hand of God. (James 5:16)
 4. Prayer enables us to receive wisdom and the mind of God. (James 1:5)
 5. Prayer expresses our dependence on God. (John 15:5)
 6. Prayer conquers worry and anxiety. (Philippians 4:6-7)
 7. Prayer demolishes “strongholds” and spiritual forces of evil. (2 Corinthians 10:4-5)
 8. Prayer is God’s means of meeting our material and spiritual desires. (John 14:14)
 9. Prayer opens doors for witnessing, sharing the gospel, and winning souls. (I Thessalonians 3:1)
 10. Prayer brings God’s healing power for the sick. (James 5:14-15)
 11. Prayer teaches us to know Jesus intimately. (Jude 20)
 12. Prayer breaks down hostility and division, and wins our enemies for Christ. (Luke 6:28)

4. Read Acts 7:51-59 and discuss Stephen’s attitude toward those who stoned him.

5. Read through the examples of prayer for ourselves and for those who have hurt us. Share with the group which one speaks to your situation the most. (*Located on the other bulletin insert.*)

6. Discuss your understanding of curses and blessings.

7. How do you bless someone who has cursed you?