

PrayFirst

Week 2

CATCHING UP

Share one meaningful thing that you learned last week from this study, Pray First.

Focus Verse

And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples.

Luke 11:1 KJV

What is prayer?

Prayer is **communication with God**.

My faith will never be any stronger than my prayer life.

My faith is on the same level of my fellowship with God. My faith level will never outgrow my fellowship level.

For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless, I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.

2 Timothy 1:12 KJV

Takeaways

Having strong faith starts with knowing, then believing, and being fully persuaded.

Every success in life has to be built on the foundation of prayer.

Ways to build a strong prayer life:

- 1 Need a _____ to pray every day.
 - 2 Need a **certain** _____ when you pray.
 - 3 Need a _____.
 - 4 Need a _____. *The Lord's Prayer is a pattern.*
 - 5 Need a _____.
- 9 After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.
 - 10 Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.
 - 11 Give us this day our daily bread.
 - 12 And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
 - 13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Matthew 6:9-13 KJV

Discovery Questions

1 What are some ways you build your faith through prayer?

2 How can you develop a stronger prayer life?

3 What does your Personal Growth Plan look like?

Diving Deeper

- Read the Focus Verse, Luke 11:1, every day this week as part of your daily devotions. Challenge yourself to have the verse memorized before your next Small Group meeting.
- Journal ways you are building a stronger prayer life.
- Find a Bible Reading Plan and commit to it.
- Invite people from your Small Group to sit together during a Sunday service.