

The Transforming Friendship

The Discipline of Prayer – Luke 11:1-13

Discussion Points

April 5, 2020

Read/Reflect

1. Read Luke 11:1-13. How would you sum up Jesus' teaching here on prayer? Do you think this was the end of the matter for the disciples?
2. What do you think Jesus is inviting us to ask for, search for and knock for?
3. Read also from Matthew 6:5-15, where Jesus teaches the same prayer. What are the different emphases in prayer between the two passages?

Explore

4. What do you like about the Lord's Prayer and how do you use it in your prayer life?
5. What does your prayer life look like? (when you pray, what things you mostly pray for, how you pray)
6. How did you learn to pray? What kinds of things could you still learn for your prayer life? How could you go about accomplishing that? What kind of accountability might you need for that?
7. How did you interact with your father (or a father-figure in your life)? Does that help or hinder your prayer life?
8. What are some obstacles to prayer in your faith journey?

<input type="checkbox"/> Exercising the discipline of prayer.	<input type="checkbox"/> I doubt God hears my prayers.
<input type="checkbox"/> I can't think of what to pray for.	<input type="checkbox"/> I don't see the point in praying.
<input type="checkbox"/> I just don't feel like praying.	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____

Pray

- Pray about some of the things for which you give God praise, especially in terms of what God is doing in the world.
- List some of the feelings and emotions and reactions you have to our current situation, and offer those things in prayer.
- Pray the Lord's Prayer.

