



LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY!

*One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “**Lord, teach us to pray**, just as John taught his disciples.” 2 He said to them, “When you pray, say: “ ‘Our Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come. 3 Give us each day our daily bread. 4 Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who sins against us. And lead us not into temptation.’ ” - Luke 11:1-4 / Matt 6:9-13*

Life is a combination of spectacular things and simple things. In almost everyone’s life there are breathtaking things and boring things. Fantastic things and familiar things. Extraordinary things and ordinary things. Awesome things and average things. Exotic things and everyday things. That’s the way life is. The Lord’s Prayer is reflective of life in this sense, encouraging and instructing us, in how to take our ordinary needs and our extraordinary thanksgivings to Our Father in prayer.

**“GOD WILL ALWAYS GIVE YOU EVERYTHING YOU ASK FOR,
WHEN YOU KNOW EVERYTHING HE KNOWS, AND NOT BEFORE.
THE TROUBLE IS WE THINK WE KNOW BETTER THAN GOD.”**

Jesus is on a journey, and on this journey we get to walk and talk with our heavenly Father in prayer. As a church we say Lord, teach us to pray. Show us where our familiarity has lead to apathy, where our apathy has lead to guilt, but more than anything show us the privilege of prayer to Our Father.

“OFTEN OUR PERSPECTIVE NEEDS MORE HEALING THAN OUR CIRCUMSTANCES”

Questions

1. What did you see about prayer that you’ve never seen before?
2. How would you like to incorporate prayer more into your daily routine?
3. How has your perspective on prayer being challenged, stirred or encouraged?

More than just discussing prayer, let’s spend some extra time praying together for our perspectives, our church and the journey that we are on as a community.