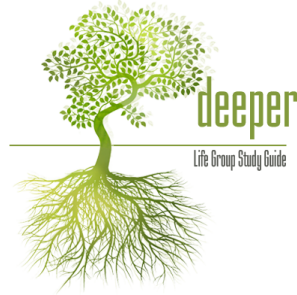


Deeper Questions

Prayer

10/9/16



Welcome (You to Me, Me to You)

What are your experiences with prayer? Positive? Negative? Are you inclined towards prayer?

Worship (Us to God)

Read Matthew 6:9-13... Read this as a group. Pray that each of these will be true in your life.

Word (God to Us)

1. What is your motivation for praying? How has your motivation changed over the years? Why?
2. Read Luke 5:16... Why do you think Jesus withdrew to pray?
3. How can our posture towards prayer reflect what Jesus modeled for us?
4. What keeps you from withdrawing to pray?
5. Read James 5:13-18... What does it look like for you to pray during a "troubled time"? What about a "happy" time?
6. In the previous passage James lists many different seasons we should pray in. Do you struggle to pray

during some of those seasons or do you find it easy? Which ones are easy and which ones are difficult?

7. Read Matthew 26:39-42... In Jesus darkest moment he still prayed and asked for something big. His first reaction was to turn to God. In your life is your first reaction to turn to God? What needs to change so that that is your first reaction?

Response (Us to the World)

Jesus modeled for us what it means to pray in every situation. How can you better follow that model in your life?