



How to Pray According to Jesus – Part 1

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Ice Breaker

Do you pray out loud in the group or with others or clam up?

UNDERSTAND THEIR STORY (Studying the context)

This is within the sermon on the Mount, where Jesus teaches how to live as citizens of His kingdom. What does Jesus say are the differences in prayer for that culture and kingdom prayer?

Describe the attitudes with which we should be praying to God.

CONNECT TO HIS STORY (Connecting to the Gospel)

Read Matthew 26:36-46, Luke 22:40-46, and Mark 14:32-42. How did Jesus pray just like how He taught the disciples?

Read Hebrews 10:19-24. How does Jesus (and his death and resurrection) help us both (1) approach God as 'Father' (with the closeness of 'Daddy') and (2) trust God 'in heaven' (in His mighty greatness)?

APPLY TO OUR STORY (Living the truth out)

Hallowing God's name means making him famous. How should we be speaking and living in light of our testimony?

What aspects of 'Your Kingdom come' have you recently seen? What aspects of God's Kingdom and rule can you pray for in the week before us?

Accountability

do you struggle with wondering what people think when you worship or pray?

Do you have a place to be with God in secret,

Pray for the coming of Christ and to be faithful servants of the kingdom now.

Parenting Moment

Our kids need us to model praying for them. This week, pray aloud with and for your kids.