

Bible Study: The Lord's Prayer

Introduction: In light of this past Friday's CCF, I thought prayer would be a good topic for this Monday's Bible study. We discussed various prayers in the Bible, including the prayer of Jabez. After talking it over, we took a look at how Jesus instructed us to pray.

1 Chronicles 4:10 ~ The prayer of Jabez

Q: What are some key points the Jabez makes in this brief prayer?

Q: Can you think of anything he left out of his prayer?

Q: What's the big deal about this one tiny prayer being so popular?

MATTHEW 6:9-13 or LUKE 11:2-4 ~ The Lord's Prayer

Q: How did Jesus tell them to begin their prayer? (Matthew 6:9b)

Q: What can you expect from God as your Heavenly Father?

Q: What does God have a right to expect of you as His child?

To hallow His name means to keep it holy; to keep it worthy of the One who is represented by that name. (Matthew 6:9c)

Q: How can you hallow His name in the things you do and say?

Q: How can you hallow His name in your prayer life?

Q: Are there areas of your life you need to change to keep His name worthy?

Q: Whose kingdom is referred to in this Scripture? (Matthew 6:10a)

Q: What do you think is included in asking for bread?

MATTHEW 6:25-32 ~ Do Not Worry

Q: What is being said here about the birds?

Q: Do you think that it's an accident that all animals in the wild are provided for?

Q: What is a big difference between people and animals in God's viewpoint?

Q: So, should we worry about how our lives are going?

MATTHEW 18:21-22 ~ Question of Forgiveness

Q: What was Peter's question to Jesus?

Q: What did Jesus indicate concerning our willingness to forgive?

Conclusion: In light of the Lord's Prayer, what are the keys to praying and living as Jesus has taught us? Take some time and reflect personally on what God has called you to do, that the Lord's Prayer may be fulfilled in your life. Close by asking for prayer needs, and then finish by praying the Lord's Prayer.