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Discussion Guide

Week 3



Bottom Line

Prayer always creates movement.

Sometimes God moves to action, and other times he moves our hearts. He changes our outlook and perspective.

Scripture

Matthew 6:9-10, Luke 21:41-42

Icebreaker

Did You Know?: Ask each group member to give you one interesting or unusual fact about themselves before the group meets. Try to discover information that sets each person apart from the others, such as "I have a tugboat named after me," "I once wrecked the same quarter panel of my car four times," or "I have a twin."

Then make a sheet with one fact from each person and a blank space to enter someone's name besides this fact. Give everyone in the group a copy of this sheet and have them find out whose name goes in each blank.

When they find the right person, they must also learn one other fact about that person. This does not need to be written on paper, it just encourages conversation. At the end, introduce everyone in the group in the order on the list. You could even give a prize to the first person who found all the answers.

This activity will work best with people who do not yet know one another well. Plan on this icebreaker taking 20 minutes. Consider turning on music so people cannot hear each other's answers





WATCH THE DISCUSSION VIDEO

link: clifec.com/WYP-video-3

Exploration

You probably won't get through all the questions, and that's OK! These are here to help you. See this as a guide, rather than a to-do list.

- *What is a prayer request that you had that God answered exactly the way you had hoped for?*
- *What about a time when you asked for something and did not get what you wanted?*

Ask someone to read Matthew 6:9-10 and Luke 21:41-42 to the group.

- *Was Jesus excited about dying on the cross? Why did he do it?*
- *Submission is a difficult thing. Can you think of a time when you submitted to God?*
- *The act of prayer is amazing because it acknowledges the authority of God in the world and in our lives. Sometimes, we get exactly what we want. Sometimes, we don't. Is God bad when he doesn't answer our prayers? Why or why not?*

Application

Last week, we talked about presenting all types of requests to God. That's good and right, but perhaps a little incomplete.

Pray about what you want with a spirit of, "But I want what you want. You do your thing, and I'll still love and worship you! Your ways are higher than my ways, and your thoughts are higher than my thoughts."

Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane: "...Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done." — Luke 22:42

End with prayer time.

