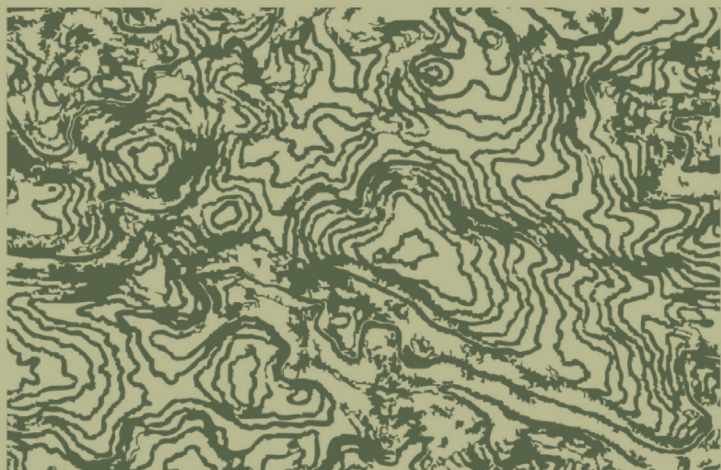




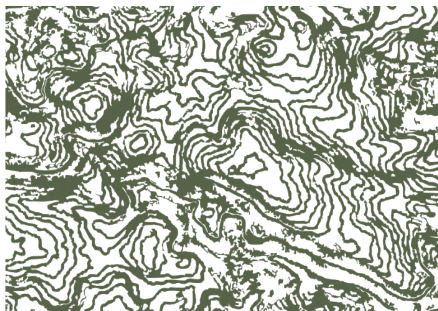
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WEEK ONE | WHAT IS PRAYER?

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PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: PSALM 19

As we study the Bible, we need to ask three different questions: What does the passage say? What does the passage mean? How does my life change based on this passage?

- ☐ What stands out to you as you read this passage? What questions do you have?
- ☐ Why would someone pray this prayer?
- ☐ In what ways have you seen *"the heavens declare the glory of God,"*
- ☐ Read verses 7-11. The psalmist is talking about God's commands for us and His promises. How sweet are they for you?
- ☐ How does your life change based on this passage?



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DIGGING DEEPER INTO THE PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: PSALM 19

- Read the passage again. What did you notice today that you didn't notice yesterday?
- Read verse 1 again. What is the Glory of God? How do you declare it in your life?
- Read verse 7. How does God's Law (His way of life) "revive the soul?"
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PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: NUMBERS 6:24-26

- Read the passage. What stands out to you as you read this passage? What questions do you have?
- This is the prayer of blessing for God’s people. What does it mean for the Lord to “keep you?”
- How does God give you peace? How can God’s peace change the way you look at life?
- How does your life change based on this passage?

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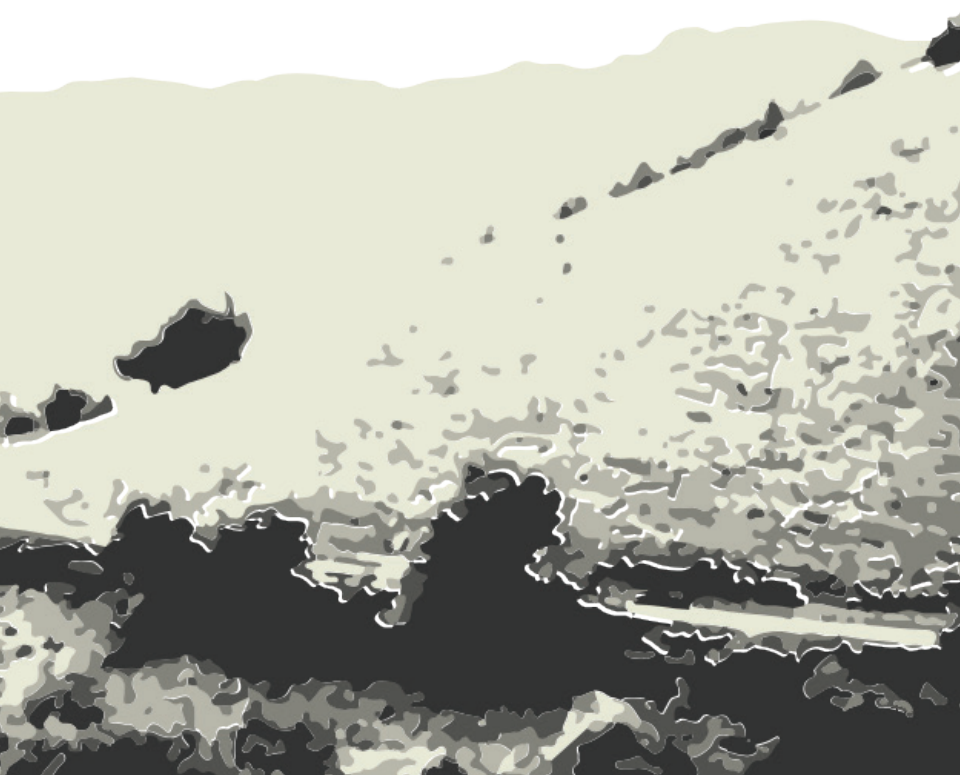
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PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: PSALM 23

- ☐ What stands out to you as you read this passage? What questions do you have?
- ☐ What is a shepherd? What do they do? How then could God be my shepherd?
- ☐ What is a path of righteousness that God can lead me on? Why would I want that?
- ☐ When you think of your life, what path of righteousness could God lead you on to grow in or develop?
- ☐ How does your life change based on this passage?

DIGGING DEEPER INTO THE PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: PSALM 23

- Read the passage again. What did you notice today that you didn't notice yesterday?
- What is "the valley of the shadow of death?" Have you ever gone through something like that? What was it like?
- How can we go through something like "the valley of the shadow of death" and have no fear? What is something I can look at today and have no fear because God is with me?
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- Read the passage. What stands out to you as you read this passage? What questions do you have?
- Read verse 5. What is happening in this verse? When was the last time your soul felt “cast down?”
- Read verse 11. It is similar to verse 5. What is the psalmist’s response to feeling cast down? What can we do when we are cast down from life?
- How does your life change based on this passage?

WEEK THREE | THE LORD'S PRAYER

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PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: JOHN 17:1-19

- ☐ What stands out to you as you read this passage? What questions do you have?
- ☐ This is the final prayer Jesus says before He is sent to die on the cross. He chooses to pray for His disciples. Why would He decide to do that?
- ☐ Read verse 15. What does this tell us about how we live our lives?
- ☐ How does your life change based on this passage?

DIGGING DEEPER INTO THE PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: JOHN 17:20-26

- Read the passage again. What did you notice today that you didn't notice yesterday?
- In the second part of this prayer, Jesus is praying for us. What is His prayer about?
- Find a verse in this passage of Jesus' prayer for you. Which verse stands out to you the most knowing that Jesus has said that verse for you?
- How does your life change based on this passage?





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PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: MATTHEW 6:5-15

- Read the passage. What stands out to you as you read this passage? What questions do you have?
- We just went over this prayer in Youth Group. What do you think is important about this prayer?
- Which parts of this prayer are the hardest for you to apply to your own life?
- How does your life change based on this passage?

WEEK FOUR | ADORATION

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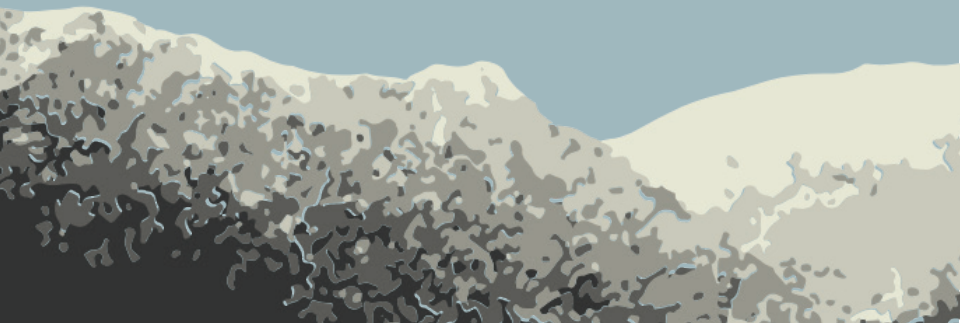
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PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: PSALM 46

- ☐ What stands out to you as you read this passage? What questions do you have?
- ☐ When it says that God is my refuge and strength, what does that mean?
- ☐ In what way do you need the strength of God right now?
- ☐ How does your life change based on this passage?



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DIGGING DEEPER INTO THE PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: PSALM 46

- Read the passage again. What did you notice today that you didn't notice yesterday?
- Read verse 10. Looking at the verses around verse 10, why might it be hard for the psalmist to "be still?"
- What feels so big in life right now that you need to practice the idea of *"Be Still, and know that I am God?"*
- How does your life change based on this passage?





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PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: EXODUS 15:1-21

- Read the passage. What stands out to you as you read this passage? What questions do you have?
- This is Moses’ song of praise or adoration to God after the Red Sea split in two. Where do you see Him praising God?
- What might be your Red Sea parting moment in life to praise God for? This would be something big that He has done in your life.
- How does your life change based on this passage?

WEEK FIVE | CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: EPHESIANS 3:14-21

- ☐ What stands out to you as you read this passage? What questions do you have?
- ☐ This is a prayer from Paul to the church he is writing to. Of the things he asks God to give the people in Ephesus (the book is called Ephesians, Ephesus is the city where they were from) which of those things do you want right now and are looking for?
- ☐ What are some ways you think you could grow in those?
- ☐ How does your life change based on this passage?



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DIGGING DEEPER INTO THE PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: EPHESIANS 3:14-21

- Read the passage again. What did you notice today that you didn't notice yesterday?
- What does it look like to be strengthened with power through the Holy Spirit, like what Paul mentions in verse 16
- How would your life be different if you lived knowing you had the power of God in you?
- How does your life change based on this passage?



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PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: LUKE 23:34

- Read the passage. What stands out to you as you read this passage? What questions do you have?
- This is a small prayer, but so important. Why does Jesus pray this prayer as He is being crucified?
- Who is someone that you could pray for that has hurt you?
- How does your life change based on this passage?

WEEK SIX | THANKSGIVING

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PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: LUKE 1:46-55

- ☐ What stands out to you as you read this passage? What questions do you have?
- ☐ This is the prayer that Mary prays when she understands that her baby will be the Savior of the world. In what way is she praying in thanksgiving to God?
- ☐ What is something that you can thank God for in your life? Why is it important to thank God for things?
- ☐ How does your life change based on this passage?

DIGGING DEEPER INTO THE PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: LUKE 1:46-55

- Read the passage again. What did you notice today that you didn't notice yesterday?
- Read verse 49. What does it mean to fear God?
- Do you see God as your powerful King? How might that change the way you look at Him?
- How does your life change based on this passage?





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PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: ROMANS 11:33-36

- Read the passage. What stands out to you as you read this passage? What questions do you have?
- What does this prayer talk about?
- Read verse 36. In what ways are you giving all things “to Him?” What are you not giving to God?
- How does your life change based on this passage?

WEEK SEVEN | SUPPLICATION

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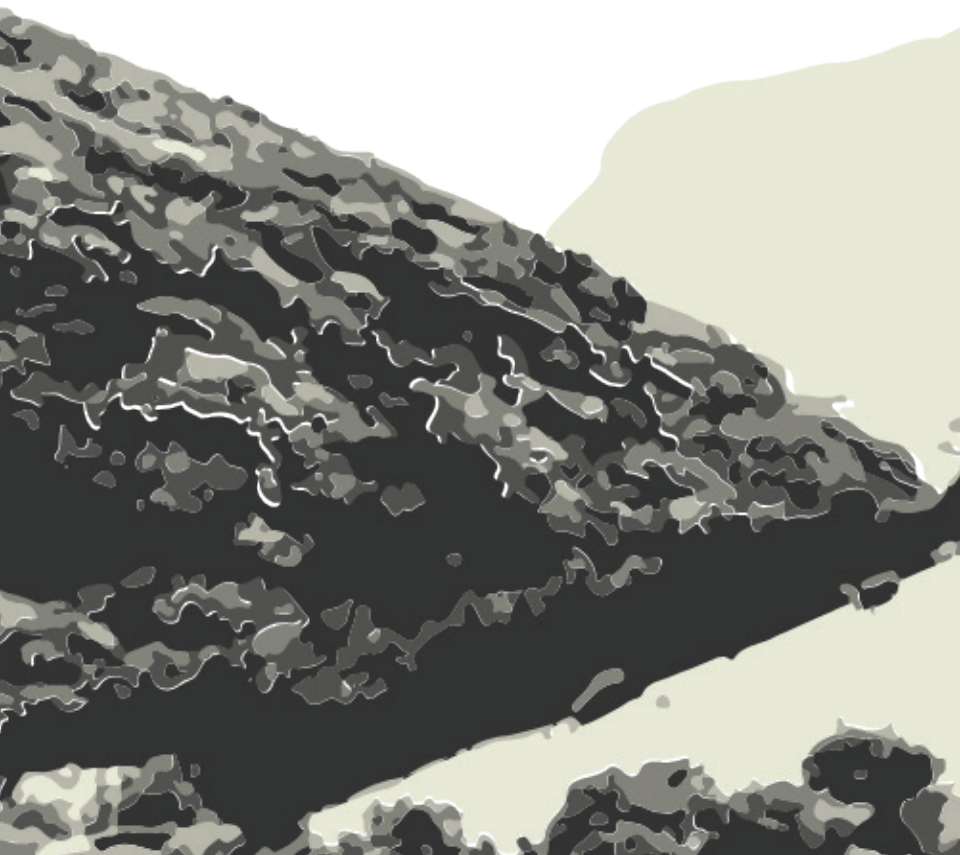
PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: COLOSSIANS 1:9-12

- ☐ What stands out to you as you read this passage? What questions do you have?
- ☐ Paul is praying for those he is writing to. Read verse 9. What is he asking God to give?
- ☐ What is God's will for you? In other words, what does God want you to do with the life He has given you?
- ☐ How does your life change based on this passage?

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DIGGING DEEPER INTO THE PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: COLOSSIANS 1:15-20

- Read the passage again. What did you notice today that you didn't notice yesterday?
- Which of these descriptions of Jesus stands out to you the most?
- Which one is the most confusing? Who can you go to to understand what it means?
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PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: PHILIPPIANS 4:6-7

- Read the passage. What stands out to you as you read this passage? What questions do you have?
- This is our memory verse for this series. Why do you think it is so important for us to memorize?
- What is something in your life to give to God through prayer? How is that giving you peace from God?
- How does your life change based on this passage?

WEEK EIGHT | LAMENT & SURRENDER

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PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: PSALM 77

- ☐ What stands out to you as you read this passage? What questions do you have?
- ☐ This is another psalm of lament. Which verses do you see the psalmist struggling with God in?
- ☐ What struggles do you have with God right now that you want to share?
- ☐ How does your life change based on this passage?

DIGGING DEEPER INTO THE PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: PSALM 77

- Read the passage again. What did you notice today that you didn't notice yesterday?
- Yesterday we talked about the struggles with God. Read verses 10-20. How does the psalmist respond to the struggles in their life?
- What are the ways that God is showing that He cares for you even as you are struggling?
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PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: PSALM 90

- Read the passage. What stands out to you as you read this passage? What questions do you have?
- This is a prayer talking through the shortness of life compared to how big God is. Read verse 12. Why should we take care of the days that we have?
- How can you watch over the time you have this week so that you can use the days well?
- How does your life change based on this passage?

WEEK NINE | UNANSWERED PRAYERS

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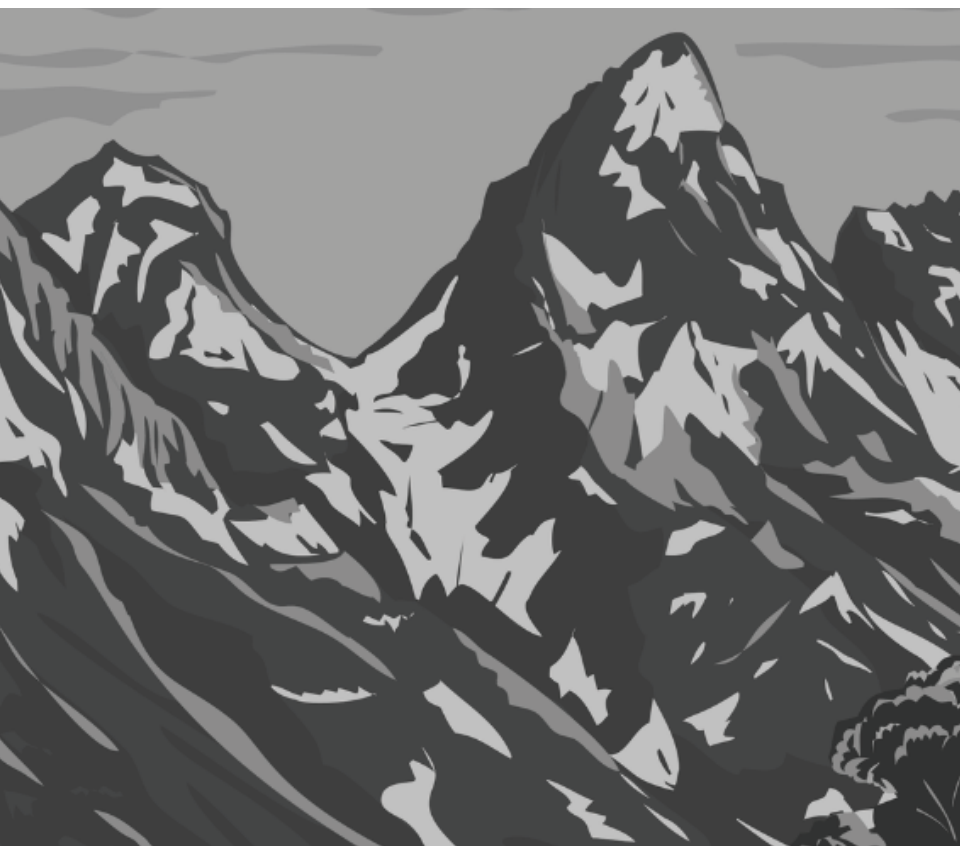
PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: 2 SAMUEL 11-12

- ☐ What stands out to you as you read this passage? What questions do you have?
- ☐ In this section we see King David's sin with Bathsheba and how he prayed for God to save his child, yet God didn't. Read 2 Samuel 12:18-23. How does David respond when God doesn't answer his prayer how he wanted?
- ☐ Is there an answer you have gotten from God that you didn't want? How does David's response to this affect how you respond?
- ☐ How does your life change based on this passage?

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DIGGING DEEPER INTO THE PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: 2 SAMUEL 11-12

- Read the passage again. What did you notice today that you didn't notice yesterday?
- David messed up, and Nathan the prophet confronted David. How hard would it be to do that?
- What are things in life that God wants you to do that are really hard to do? How does Nathan's example help you?
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PRAYER FROM THE BIBLE: REVELATION 22:20

- Read the passage. What stands out to you as you read this passage? What questions do you have?
- In what way is this verse a prayer?
- Do you want Jesus to come back today? Is there any part of you that doesn't want that to happen today? Why is that?
- How does your life change based on this passage?

WEEK TEN | NIGHT OF PRAYER & WORSHIP

THIS IS A NIGHT WHERE WE GET TO TAKE WHAT WE HAVE LEARNED AND EXPERIENCED FROM THE LAST TEN WEEKS AND PUT IT INTO PRACTICE.

THERE WILL BE PRAYER STATIONS FOR EACH OF THE DIFFERENT “WAYS TO PRAY” AROUND THE VENUE.

TAKE TIME TONIGHT TO GO TO EACH OF THE STATIONS AND PRAY IN THAT WAY. LOOK BACK ON YOUR NOTES FOR HELP TO REMEMBER THAT PRAYER LANGUAGE.

ADULT LEADER QUESTIONS

THESE QUESTIONS ARE DESIGNED TO HELP YOU FACILITATE THE DISCUSSION PORTION OF THE EVENINGS. DON'T FEEL THAT YOU HAVE TO "GET THROUGH" THE QUESTIONS. THE QUESTIONS ARE A TOOL FOR YOU TO USE OR NOT TO USE. AS YOU ENTER INTO THE LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION TIME, BE IN PRAYER AND OPEN TO WHAT THE HOLY SPIRIT IS DOING IN THE STUDENTS, AND FOLLOW THAT! PROVERBS 16:9 SAYS "THE HEART OF MAN PLANS HIS WAY, BUT THE LORD ESTABLISHES HIS STEPS." (ESV). THIS IS THE VERSE FOR YOU TO REMEMBER AS YOU ENTER INTO DISCUSSION GROUPS.

WEEK ONE | WHAT IS PRAYER?

HS

When you think of prayer, what comes to mind?

Would you consider yourself someone who prays a lot?
A little? Not at all?

Listen to our definition of prayer again: *"Prayer is the Christ-given ability to connect with God using our words, minds, and habits in everyday life."* What in that definition stands out to you?

What would you say is stopping you from praying?

When you think of praying not just through your words, but through your thoughts and habits, how does that help you connect with God more?

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Welcome back to gsYOUTH. What would you say you are most excited about for gsYOUTH this year?

What is prayer? What do you think of when you think of prayer? (Be honest!)

Would you consider yourself someone who prays a lot?
A little? Not at all?

What would you say is stopping you from praying?

Our definition of prayer is this: *"Prayer is the Christ-given ability to connect with God using our words, minds, and habits in everyday life."* What do you think about that definition? What stands out to you as you hear it?

WEEK TWO | HOW DOES PRAYER WORK?

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So how does prayer even work? How do we know that we are doing something worth our time?

Why is it important for us to know that we can pray to God only because of Jesus?

Does God hear everyone's prayers? Even those who don't believe in Him?

What do you think about the challenge that Preston talked about when he said, *"I pray because that is what I am told to do."*? How does that make you feel?

What are some questions you still have about prayer?

MS

Have you ever done something you thought was pointless? What was that? What was it like?

Do you feel that same way about when you pray? Why or why not?

Why should we pray?

How does prayer even work?

How can I know that if I pray God hears me, or that He even cares about what I am saying?

WEEK THREE | THE LORD'S PRAYER

HS

How does the new school year feel so far?

When you think about what you are praying, what would first come to your mind?

In the Lord's Prayer, what stands out to you from what He suggests we are to pray like?

Why does He include forgiveness in His prayer?

Where does the Lord's Prayer include my requests for myself? What does that say about how we are to pray?

MS

How does the new school year feel so far? What's been good about it? What has been a challenge?

Have you ever felt confused about what to pray about? Or even how to pray? What was that like for you?

Read Matthew 6:5-15. This passage is often called the Lord's Prayer. Why do you think it could be an important part of the Bible?

What about the Lord's Prayer stands out to you?

Which of the parts of the Lord's Prayer do you want to ask God for right now?

WEEK FOUR | ADORATION

HS

What is something you adore? Why do you adore it?
What about it makes you adore it?

When you think of adoring God, what comes to your mind?

Have you ever adored God before? What did you say?
How did it make you feel?

When is it easy to adore God? When would it be hard to adore Him?

What are the things you adore most about God? Or the idea of Him if you don't believe in Him?

MS

What does it mean to adore something? What do you adore?

When you think of adoring God, what comes to your mind?

Thinking of the idea of God, what would you adore about Him?

Why should we adore God? Do you think we should? Why?

WEEK FIVE | CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

HS

When was the last time you had to ask someone for forgiveness? What was that experience like?

Why is it hard to confess things to people, friends, parents, etc? What makes that hard?

What do you think is harder: confessing something to someone or giving forgiveness? Why?

What happens in us when we confess to God and ask for forgiveness? Why do you think He wants us to practice this?

What do you think is harder? Confessing something to God? Or receiving His forgiveness fully? Why is that?

MS

When was the last time you had to ask someone for forgiveness? What was that experience like?

When was the last time you had to forgive someone for something? What was that like?

What does confession mean to you?

Why does God want us to confess to Him?

Read Psalm 51. Where do you see David confessing to God?

WEEK SIX | THANKSGIVING

HS

What are you thankful for, right now at this moment?

When someone thanks you for something, how does that make you feel?

When is it most hard to be thankful?

Why does God ask us to pray by thanking Him? What does that do to us?

What are the things that God has given us that we can be thankful for?

MS

What would you say you are most thankful for?

Do you find there are times where it is hard to be thankful?

What is the opposite of being thankful? What happens when we spend too much time doing that?

What are things that we can be thankful for that maybe we don't think about much? What about things that come from God?

WEEK SEVEN | SUPPLICATION

HS

How often would you say that you ask God for things?
What things do you ask God for?

Have you ever asked God for something specifically that didn't happen? Describe what that was like.

Why does God want us to ask Him for something if he is already in control?

Are you someone that finds it hard to ask people for things? Or are you someone that is comfortable with doing that? How does that reflect the way you pray to God, or not?

Why should we ask each other to pray for us?

MS

Name a time that you asked your parents for something and they gave it to you.

Have you ever asked God for something? What did you ask Him for?

Why do you think God answers some prayers with yes and some with no?

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WEEK EIGHT | LAMENT & SURRENDER

HS

Why do you think Psalm 51 is referred to as a Lament Psalm? What about it?

Why do you think we are talking about lament and surrender at the same time?

Why do you think it is important to learn how to lament with God? What might happen if we never learn how to do this?

What is the difference between lamenting and complaining?

What is something that you can lament to God about right now? Maybe when you get home tonight?

MS

Tonight we are going to talk about a prayer of lament and surrender. What is lament? What is surrender?

Read Psalm 51. What stands out to you from this psalm? Why would it be called a Lament Psalm?

Is lamenting the same as complaining? Why or why not?

What was the last thing you lamented about?

Why is it important to learn how to lament with God?

How do you think God feels when we lament to Him?

WEEK NINE | UNANSWERED PRAYERS

HS

Have you ever asked for something that was important to you, but someone (not God) didn't give it to you? What was it? How did it make you feel?

Have you ever prayed about something and it wasn't answered? Or wasn't answered in the way you wanted? What happened? What was that like?

Why does God tell us no sometimes when we ask for something?

Read Luke 11:9-13. What do you think about this passage as it relates to our lesson?

What are some prayers that were not answered how you wanted? What are ways that your group can come around you in that struggle?

MS

Have you ever asked your parents for something and they said "no" to you? What did you ask for?

Why do you think they said no to what you asked for?

Does God say no to us sometimes? How does it make us feel when God says no to us? Why?

Why do you think God would say no to something you prayed about? What if it was something important to you?

WEEK TEN | NIGHT OF PRAYER & WORSHIP

HS

What did you think about tonight? What is something you got from our prayer time?

Which station did you find yourself going more towards?
Why do you think that is?

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