

## KEY SCRIPTURE

Mark 11:11-24  
Isaiah 56:1-8

## SERMON POINTS

1. Why Prayer?

- a. Jesus Prays
- b. Prayer Connects Us Relationally to God

2. Why Are We Praying for the Entire World?

- a. God's Mission Has Always Been About All Nations
- b. God Has Commanded Us To Go To All Nations

**START TALKING.** Find a conversation starter for your group.

- Have you ever traveled out of the country? If so, what is your favorite place you have been?
- Who in the group has traveled to the most countries? The farthest?

**START THINKING.** Ask a question to get your group thinking.

- As you reflect on Sunday's message, what one principle or insight stands out as being particularly helpful, insightful, or difficult to grasp?

**START SHARING.** Choose a question to create openness.

- *Read Mark 11:15-18*
- As Jesus walked into the temple, what angered him?
- What things stand in the way of all nations coming to worship God today?
  
- *Read Isaiah 56:4-8*
- Isaiah speaks of the foreigners, eunuchs, and others being gathered by God.
- Where in the Old Testament do you see God reaching out to all nations?
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- *Read Mark 11:22-24*
- Do you believe this? If so, how should this change our prayers?
- What big things are you asking or have you asked God?
- Do you believe he can answer that prayer?
- What leads us to doubt God?
  
- Frank quoted Rick Warren: "Prayer is the most important tool for your mission in the world. People may refuse our love, or reject our message, but they are defenseless against our prayers. You can aim a prayer at a person's heart whether you're ten feet or 10,000 miles away."
- Do you think of prayer as the most important tool to reach the world?
- Why or why not?

**START PRAYING.** Be bold and pray with power.

- Pray for Colonial Hills Church to become a people who are passionate about praying for all nations.

**START DOING.** Commit to a step and live it out this week.

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