Prayer Week - 4

Truth

Listen to the sermon *Transformed by Grace* by Mark Bates and take notes here on the main points of the sermon.

I. God Our Father

II. Seek His Kingdom

III. Practicing Prayer
After listening to the sermon think through or answer these questions to be discussed during your time together.

What are the negative motivations described in the sermon?

What is the goal for praying suggested in the sermon?

How does praying “Our Father in heaven, hallowed is your name” reflect our dependency upon God?

How does praying God’s Kingdom come shape your prayers?

How can creation, fall, redemption and glory change the way we pray?

When will you commit to pray in your day (schedule your appointment with God your Father)?
Challenge: During the next month, use the following outline during your times of prayer.

Talking to God in prayer...

1. God’s Honor – acknowledge his worth, glory, and majesty
   “Our Father in heaven, hallowed is your name.”

2. God’s Kingdom – acknowledge His priority in the world and your life
   “Your kingdom come, your will be done.”

3. God’s Provision – acknowledge his trustworthiness
   “Give us this day our daily bread.”

4. God’s Forgiveness – acknowledge his forgiveness & your repentance
   “Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.”

5. God’s Power – acknowledge your dependence
   “Deliver us from the evil one so we may not be led into temptation.”
Accountability

Before your time together, think about the questions below. You might be asked any of these questions and you may be asking them of one another during your time together. These questions will help you to examine your life in light of the truth you explored this week and allow each of you an opportunity to encourage each other.

- What about your prayer life have you been struggling with that you need repent of?

- In what areas of your prayer life do you need to believe?

- How are you going to fight in your prayer life?
Mission

Who are the three people (non-church, non-believers) for whom you are praying?

1. ____________________________
2. ____________________________
3. ____________________________

Steps I have taken or will take to connect with them:

1. _____________________________________________
2. _____________________________________________
3. _____________________________________________

How can this lesson fuel your prayer for those on your prayer-tags?

Think about this—unless they become children of God through faith in Christ and the renewing work of the Spirit, they cannot call God their Father (John 1:12; Gal 3:26) and do not have the privilege to draw near to God (Heb 4:14-16).
**Supplication**

Share your prayer requests with one another. Space is provided below to write them down. Use this to help remind you what to pray for each other during the week.

In addition, there are a few questions to help you share requests.

What are your prayer requests regarding the truth this week?

In light of the discussion this week what do you need to pray for?

What are your prayer requests regarding any situations in your life this week?

Prayer requests from others in the group this week