

Dynamic Disciples: Discovering the Power Within Through Prayer

Week 2: What Is and Isn't Prayer

"Weekly Takeaways"

"True prayer is neither a mere mental exercise nor a vocal performance. It is far deeper than that—it is spiritual transaction with the Creator of Heaven and Earth." ~ Charles Spurgeon

Battle Plan

- Enlistment
- Basic training
 - *What Is and Isn't Prayer*
- Conditional
- Strategies
- Targets
- Ammunition

Ultimate Purpose of Prayer

- At its heart, prayer is communicating with God. Reverently and openly. Sincerely. Interacting directly with the magnificent God of the universe who is there.

Evening Discussion

1. How have you seen God glorified through answered prayer?
2. What attributes of God has He revealed to you by how He's responded to prayer?
3. How have you seen prayer help someone to know, love, and worship God? To better understand and conform to His will and ways? To access and advance His kingdom, power, and glory?

Prayer is not about prayer. It is about a Person—God Himself. When it becomes merely about accessing the provision or protection of God rather than knowing and pleasing the Person of God, then we are getting off track. But when the one goal of our praying is to live in relationship with Him—one on One—He will cause prayer to also help us experience His purposes, His plans, His provision, His protection, and everything else He intends.

Effective Takeaways

- It is all for His glory!