

# “Wake Up To Power!”

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**Wake up to the power of \_\_\_\_\_.**

## Why Don't We Pray?

Prayer can be a \_\_\_\_\_.

How specifically should we pray?

How do our prayers make a difference?

- We think we are not \_\_\_\_\_.
- Prayer is boring.
- We are lazy.
- We don't know the formula.
- Prayer is a \_\_\_\_\_.

## Why Pray?

- Jesus tells us to pray.
- Jesus prayed and teaches us how to pray.
- Prayer \_\_\_\_\_ our relationship with God.
- Prayer keeps us focused.
- Prayer develops our \_\_\_\_\_ in God.

“God answers prayers in the way we would have prayed for if we knew what He knew and had the same goals as He does.”

The ultimate goal is to simply know God better.

## How Do We Pray?

The Model Prayer (Matthew 6:7-13)

*Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,*

- *Our* – We have the same Father.
- *Father* – We have a close \_\_\_\_\_.
- *In heaven* – We know God resides in glory.
- *Hallowed be your name* – We know to \_\_\_\_\_ God.

*Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.*

- These are words of \_\_\_\_\_.
- These words evoke our role in \_\_\_\_\_.

*Give us today our daily bread.*

- Basic words and basic needs.
- Reminds us of Who \_\_\_\_\_.
- This is ongoing.
- Jesus said, “I am the bread of life.” (John 6:35)

*And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.*

- Because we are forgiven, we need to forgive.

*And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.*

- Don't be overtaken by the “evil one”.

## Wake Up To:

- God
- One another
- Our neighbors

- Needs in our community and world

### **Wake up to the power of prayer!**

*Talking through the ideas presented in Sunday's message helps us apply God's word to our individual lives. These questions and thoughts are designed to help you put His words into action in your life this week. We encourage you to talk these over with other Christians that you are close to.*

How would you describe your prayer life? Are you satisfied with it? If not, what do you need to do to make it more productive?

What makes prayer successful? How do you define "successful" when it comes to prayer?

Joe talked about some things that can hinder our prayer life. Do any of these apply to you? Are you committed to "work" on them?

Why do you pray? How does it benefit you? How is it supposed to "benefit" you? Why do you think it was such an important part of Jesus' life? How did it "benefit" Him?

What would help you appreciate the "Lord's Prayer" more? What aspect of it do you feel God is leading you to focus on?

What is your main "take-away" from this week? How do you plan to "live out" what you have heard this morning?

*If you signed up for "I'm In", don't forget to be praying for the person that God wants you to reach out to.*

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