



**Week Two:
PRAYER**

Daily Scripture Reading

Sunday:

The pattern of prayer / Matthew 6:5-15

Monday:

The prayer of worship / Psalms 103

Tuesday:

The prayer of repentance / Psalm 51

Wednesday:

The prayer of thanksgiving / Psalm 150

Thursday:

The prayer of guidance / Matthew 26:36-46

Friday:

The prayer of faith / James 5:13-18

Saturday:

The prayer of command / Mark 9:14-29

Supplemental Questions

1. On a scale from 1 (bad) - 10 (good), how would you rate your prayer life?

One way to measure is, if God were a person in your life who you speak to with the same frequency. What is the state of that relationship?

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

2. "Answers to prayer are wonderful, but they are secondary to the main function of prayer, which is a growing, perpetual **communion. It is out of this refreshing life of communion with Jesus Christ that answered prayer comes as a happy by-product"**

How do you feel about this statement?

Definition of Communion:

a) mutual participation; b) an act or instance of sharing; c) intimate fellowship or rapport. -Webster's Dictionary

3. Generally how do you feel about change?

If you do not like change why.

4. In this weeks sermon, Jim said, "To pray is to change!"

How does that statement make you feel when it means YOU changing?

How does this statement make you feel when it means God acting in circumstances?

5. How are our prayer lives different when we take a "fatalistic view" of the world?

6. When you pray, do you *truly* expect your prayers to be answered? Why or why not?

7. Why is it important to view prayer as a learning process?

8. How are prayers different when we are not sure what God's will is, opposed to time we are sure of the will of God?

****Here is a little experiment for you: Go through a whole day offering a silent prayer for every person you come in contact with. Record what you have learned from that experience.

