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PRAY LIKE JESUS



Recap from Last Week:
MONVEE – the tool and Benefits

Direction flows out of _____. Connection fuels the heart that sets the feet to dancin' to the tune of God's Holy Spirit at work in the world.

Review of the 4 Steps to 'Studio Time' with God from Last week:

1. Consume God's Word
2. Be Quiet / Still before God
3. Talk WITH God about all that I'm facing
4. Review my goals & preview my day with God

A few things to know about Prayer:

1. _____ is life-giving communication between a child of God and her/his Heavenly Father. Jesus even said that he didn't do _____ until he saw his father on the move.
"I can't do a solitary thing on my own: I listen, then I decide." John 5:30 (Mes)

2. Jesus invites us to pray in His name recognizing that He is the _____.
"Whatever you ask in My name, I will do it so that the Father may be glorified in the Son." John 14:13 (HCSB)

3. Jesus reminds us that the Holy Spirit will 'speak for us' when we don't have the right words. "the Spirit also joins to help in our weakness, because we do not know what to pray for as we should, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with unspoken groanings." Romans 8:26 (HCSB)

4. We have the privilege of prayer because of the grace of God and we have vital connection in prayer through Jesus by the work of the Holy Spirit.

The Lord's Prayer – A template for Daily Renewal

"When you pray, don't be like those people who don't know God. They say the same things over and over that mean nothing, thinking that God will hear them because of their many words. Don't be like them, because your Father knows the things you need before you ask him. **So, when you pray, you should pray like this...**" Matthew 6:7-9 (NCV)

1. Think about how much God loves me.

The prayer of ' _____ ': "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name..."
Ephesians 3:18-19 "May you understand how wide, how long, and how deep God's love really is, and may you experience that love of Christ, though it is so great you will never fully understand it. Then you'll be filled with the fullness of life and the power that comes from God."

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2. I offer my _____ to be used for His purposes today.

The Prayer of Surrender: **"May your kingdom come, may your will be done on earth as it is in heaven."** "More than anything else, put God's work first and do what he wants. Then the other things will be yours as well." Matthew 6:33 (CEV)

3. Tell God I'm _____ to meet all my needs.

The Prayer of Trust: **"Give us this day our daily bread."**

"You can be sure that God will take care of everything you need, his generosity exceeding even yours in the glory that pours from Jesus." Phil. 4:19 (Mes)

4. I receive forgiveness and I _____ others.

The Prayer of Forgiveness: **"And _____ us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us."** "Those who are peacemakers will plant seeds of peace and reap a harvest of goodness." James 3:18 (NLT)

5. Ask God for strength & protection to reach my goals. [be sure to align your goals with His plan for the world and your life as best you know how]

The Prayer of _____: **"lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil."**

"I can do everything with the help of Christ who gives me the strength I need." Phil 4:13 (NLT) "Remember that the temptations that come into your life are no different from what others experience. And God is faithful. He will keep the temptation from becoming so strong that you can't stand up against it. When you are tempted, he will show you a way out so that you will not give in to it." 1 Cor. 10:13 (NLT)

6. Thank God for ultimate victory.

The Prayer of _____: **"For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever! Amen."** "I am convinced that NOTHING can ever separate us from his love. Our fears for today, our worries about tomorrow, and even the powers of hell can't keep God's love away. Whether we are high above the sky or in the deepest ocean, nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord!" Romans 8:38-29 (NLT)

Call to Action

- A. Surrender your agenda to Jesus Christ. Let Him be your Master & Savior.
- B. Schedule time to prayerfully practice praying the Lord's Prayer each day this week.
- C. Make an investment in yourself and see Len Jagers in the lobby today to pick up your MONVEE pak.
- D. Prayerfully consider joining a group going through MONVEE in the weeks ahead
- E. If you want a personal guided tour through MONVEE and help with what to do with this tool just ask! Complete and info card and turn it in today.