

LG DISCUSSION LIFEGROUPS GUIDE

Use these questions in your Life Group gatherings or for further discussion as a family.

PRAYING WITH CONFIDENCE | MARCH 8, 2026

SERMON RECAP

When we are aligned with God's will, we pray with confidence—not just for ourselves, but also for the people around us who need Him.

THE LEAD IN

- Share with the group about a time when someone prayed for you and you could feel it made a real difference. What was that like? What changed?

GETTING INTO THE TEXT

- Read 1 John 5:13-21. John restates the purpose of the whole book clearly in verse 13. What is he trying to assure his readers of and why does it matter that this assurance is tied to knowing Jesus?
- In verses 14-16, John connects confidence in prayer to praying in alignment with God's will. What does praying according to His will look like in practice? Consider Romans 8:26-27 and discuss how the Holy Spirit helps when we're struggling to pray confidently, or at all.

GOING DEEPER

- As we grow in Christ, our prayers tend to move from praying about our own needs to praying more intentionally for others. Where are you in that journey? Who in your Oikos are you feeling prompted to pray for more consistently? How can you pray with confidence for that person?
- In verse 15 we see the wonderful mystery of human prayers and God's sovereign plan. Our prayers matter to God even though He is in control. Does this tension encourage you? How can you be assured to keep praying even when you don't see results?

PRAYER

- As a group, pray for those in your Oikos who are heavy on your heart. Pray with confidence for them whether they are following Jesus and struggling or don't know Jesus yet.