

Leaders:

1. Please inform your group that Sunday morning serving opportunities are plentiful. Set up & tear down and HisKids are 2 of many. Email mspiro@harvestsacramento.net to get started.
2. Sunday the 28th @ 5pm is our 2nd prayer and worship night. The first one was incredible! Ask someone in the group to give testimony about it and encourage the group to go.

LEARN

Read Matthew 6:9-13 together. What stands out from the text or from Sunday that was encouraging, challenging, etc.?

What are the 4 pieces toward better prayer? Did one in particular stand out as most instructive for your current prayer life?

(Ascription, Alignment, Ask, Arm yourself)

What does it mean to "hallow" God's name? Why is it important that it is a request and not a declaration?

(Means "make holy" – cause your name to be great, set apart in my life and in all the earth. It's a request in part because we're acknowledging his name isn't always holy in our life and we need help.)

PRACTICE

What difference would it make in your life if you consistently, genuinely prayed for God's will to be done and Kingdom to come before praying for anything for yourself?

Which is harder for you to come to God about in prayer: requests or relationships? How does your heart need to be changed so you consistently do both?

(We need to keep a dual focus of our need for God's provision and his empowerment to truly forgive when wronged.)

How should regularly asking God to keep you from temptation and deliver you from evil help you remember the battle you are in as a Christian?

(Temptations toward sin abound in our hearts and in the world. We have a real enemy who desires us to be ineffective, sinning, discouraged and distracted. Praying about both regularly keeps us alert to the battle and the resources/strength God provides for our victory.)

Group prayer: Spend 10-15 minutes praying the themes of the Lord's prayer together.

CHANGE

How do you want to see your prayer life grow? Is it more time praying, more accurate/biblical prayer, greater trust in God as you pray, or something else? Spend time together asking for God's help in developing a deep, rich prayer life with him.