

GOING DEEPER

Prevailing Prayer: The Authority of Prevailing Prayer

Matthew 28:18-20

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Icebreaker: Share a high/low from the past couple of weeks

STUDY GUIDE

Read Matthew 28:18-20

Each person share about one of the following questions:

- What did you like about this passage?
- What didn't you like or made you uncomfortable about this passage?
- What didn't you understand about this passage?
- What does this passage teach us about Jesus?

In this passage of Scripture, we read about the delegation of authority: from the Father to the Son: From the Son to us through the Holy Spirit.

- When you hear the phrase "praying with authority," what emotions come up—confidence, hesitation, curiosity, discomfort?
- How does understanding authority as given, not self-assumed, change how you think about prayer?
- Where do you think fear or past disappointment has shaped how you pray?

The message declared that authority in prayer comes from identity

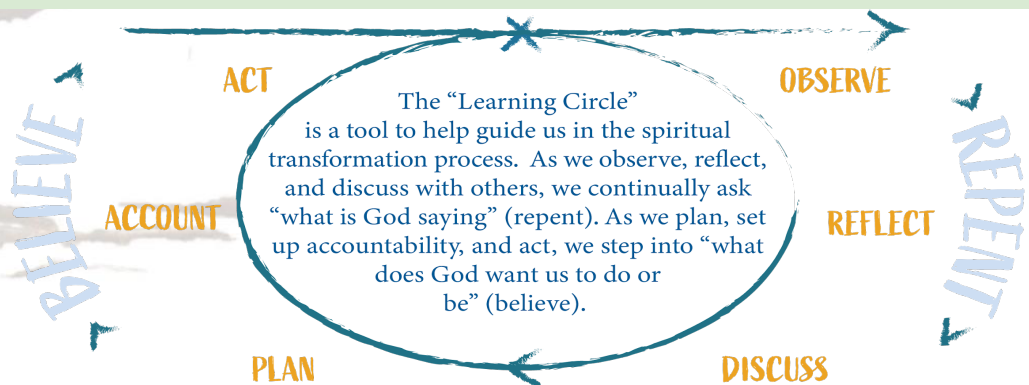
- What parts of your identity in Christ are hardest for you to believe or live in?
- Where have you experienced God's authority delegated to you?

The message talked about 3 areas of authority: Physical, Spiritual, Relational

- How can we pray boldly for physical needs while still trusting God's wisdom and timing?
- How can we practice spiritual resistance in prayer without becoming fearful or obsessed with the enemy?
- What does it mean to "stand in the gap" on behalf of someone rather than just praying about them? Is there someone God is inviting to stand in the gap for?

What got your attention during the message/discussion this week?

- Why did it get your attention? (What made you mad, sad, glad or go hmm?)
- What might God be saying to you about this?
- What might God be saying to do/be about this?
- What ways do you need to step more fully into a true follower of Jesus?



Message Notes

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