

Prayer According to Paul and Jesus

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Pray

- Before you start the study, pray for God to open your heart and mind. Look over the promises from last week's study and spend some time praising God for these.



To Begin

- Share how you pray for other people. Talk about for whom, how, and when. Give ideas about how this element of prayer can be organized and improved.



Scripture

The Prayers of Paul

Passage	For each passage, write a summary sentence of what Paul prayed for.
Romans 15:5-6	
Ephesians 1:15-19	
Ephesians 3:14-19	
Philippians 1:9-11	

Colossians 1:9-12	
1 Thessalonians 3:11-13	
2 Thessalonians 1:11-12	

Christ's Example of Prayer

- For the passages below, make observations about Jesus' prayer life. Note the following (when applicable) what he prayed for, where he prayed, when he prayed, and the circumstances around his prayer.

Passage	Observations
Mark 1:35	
Luke 6:12-16	
Matthew 27:46	
John 12:27-29	
John 11:41-46	
Matthew 26:36-46	

Hebrews 5:7	
Hebrews 7:25	

Read John 17 and write out the things Jesus prayed...

- For himself (verses 1-5)
- For his disciples (verses 6-19)
- For those who believe through the disciples' words (verses 20-26)



Application

- After doing this study and from the previous weeks, make some goals about your prayer life. For whom? When? Where? How often? Who can you pray with or keep you accountable in these goals? Make sure they are realistic and specific.