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Teach Me To Pray

Is this what you want? Is what do I want? **Do you want me to teach you to pray?** Yes, I want you to teach me to pray. I want to live in an intimate relationship with you. I want to know you. I want to love and follow and serve you. I want to live my entire with and for you. I want to accomplish your purposes. I want to fulfill your plans. I want to shine brightly as your witness in the world. I want to bear fruit for your kingdom and bring glory to your name. How could any of this happen if I did not allow you to teach me to pray. Without prayer, I would not know you or your will. Without prayer, I would not receive your instruction or follow your guidance. In fact, how could I even call you Lord if I wasn't living a life of attentively listening to you. I want to walk through life with you. I want to live my life in a constant dialogue with you. Without prayer, I would never be able to live the life that you have called me to live. **All of what you have said is true.**

What must you do if you are serious about allowing me to teach you to pray? Many have said that they want me to teach them to pray. Far fewer have allowed me to teach them to pray. If I am to allow you to teach me to pray, I must come to meet with you in prayer. I must set aside a time and place to meet with you in prayer. I must withdraw from the noise and busyness of life to make myself available to you. I must quiet myself before you. I must focus my heart and mind and life on you. **Why is all this true?** Learning to pray will not be easy. Learning to pray will require effort. **What kind of effort will be required of you?** I must turn myself over to you. I must be fully attentive to you. I must yearn to hear from you. **Why is this true?** I am hard of hearing. I am not a good listener. You must make me able to hear. You must strengthen me so that I can hear from you. You must remove anything that is in me that makes me hard of hearing. I have no doubt that you will do all this for me as I meet with you in prayer, as I seek you with all my heart. You will make me able to hear and know and love and follow and serve you. You will certainly teach me to pray. **Yes, I will. Draw near to me now, the teaching will begin.** Thank you, Lord.

Lord, that is my prayer. That is my desire. That is my request. Teach me to pray. Draw me near to you. Quiet me in your presence. Help me to hear your voice. Speak to me. I'm listening. Teach me. Use my prayers to accomplish your purposes and plans. Amen

Promises *Teach Us To Pray*

One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples."

NIV Luke 11:1

Promises *Teach Us To Pray*

Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples."

ESV Luke 11:1

Promises *Teach Us To Pray*

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying. As he finished, one of his disciples came to him and said, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples."

NLT Luke 11:1

Promises *Teach Us To Pray*

Now it came to pass, as He was praying in a certain place, when He ceased, that one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples."

NKJV Luke 11:1

Promises *Teach Us To Pray*

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples."

NRSV Luke 11:1

Promises *Teach Us To Pray*

One day he was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said, "Master, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples."

MSG Luke 11:1

Promises *Teach Us To Pray*

THEN HE was praying in a certain place; and when He stopped, one of His disciples said to Him, Lord, teach us to pray, [just] as John taught his disciples.

AMP Luke 11:1

Promises *Teach Us A Prayer*

Once when Jesus had been out praying, one of his disciples came to him as he finished and said, "Lord, teach us a prayer to recite just as John taught one to his disciples."

TLB Luke 11:1

Promises *Teach Us To Pray*

It happened that while Jesus was praying in a certain place, after He had finished, one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray just as John also taught his disciples."

NASB Luke 11:1

Promises *Teach Us To Pray*

One time Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his followers said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray as John taught his followers."

NCV Luke 11:1

Teach Us To Pray

Year _____ Week _____ Day _____ Date _____

Promises – Luke 11:1

In Context: *Read Luke 11*

Begin With Prayer:

Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.

Meditating On God's Word: ***(What is God speaking to your heart?)***

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Considering The Words: ***(What words speak to your heart?)***

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Praying The Scripture:

(What prayer from your heart will you write?)

Lord, that is my prayer. That is my desire. That is my request. Teach me to pray. Draw me near to you. Quiet me in your presence. Help me to hear your voice. Speak to me. I'm listening. Teach me. Use my prayers to accomplish your purposes and plans. Amen

What It Means:

(What questions speak to your heart?) *(Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)*

How has acknowledging Christ as your Lord been a foundation to all your prayers?

When have you asked the Lord to teach you to pray?

How have you listened to the Lord once you have asked Him to teach you to pray?

When and where have you set a time and place to meet with the Lord in prayer?

While will you be unlikely to learn to pray if you do not come to meet with the Lord in prayer?

How has the Lord used the circumstances of your life to teach you to pray?

What are some of the most important things you have learned since you have allowed the Lord to teach you to pray?

Living It Out:

(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)

Ask the Lord to teach you how to pray then listen to Him.

Seeing It Happen:

(What are you trusting God for in your heart?)

Have faith that the Lord will teach you how to pray as you meet with Him in prayer.

Get Ready To Share:

(What can you share with others from your heart?)

Share with another person or your small group how the Lord has been teaching you to pray.

Close With Prayer:

Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

Pause And Offer Prayers Of...

With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You

Adoration... _____

Thanksgiving... _____

Confession... _____

Intercession... _____

Petition... _____

Journal

As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?

What Prayers Are You Praying Today?

Prayer Of Blessing

(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)

May you ask the Lord to teach you to pray.

Prayer To Carry

(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)

Lord, teach me to pray.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Lord, how will you teach me to pray today?
