



## PRAYER AND WHAT WE TRULY NEED

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Introduction:



Sermon Notes

**Big Idea:** Recognize your \_\_\_\_\_  
& Respond in \_\_\_\_\_.

◆ Recognize your \_\_\_\_\_

⇒ Kingdom P \_\_\_\_\_

⇒ Physical P \_\_\_\_\_

◆ Recognize your Unceasing Need (cont'd)

⇒ Kingdom Perspective

⇒ Physical Provision

⇒ Merciful P \_\_\_\_\_

⇒ Spiritual P \_\_\_\_\_

◆ Respond in \_\_\_\_\_

Two Participating Parties in Prayer \_\_\_\_\_

◆ The \_\_\_\_\_

◆ The \_\_\_\_\_

### Personal Reflection and Application:

1. Do the four needs revealed in Jesus' model prayer reflect what you believe you need to follow Jesus? Do these needs show up in your prayers often (multiple times a day, even)? What (if any) is missing from your prayer?
2. Do you see the unceasing nature of these four needs? How often should you pray considering your unceasing need?
3. What holds you back from coming to God in prayer? How does Jesus' model prayer and two parables address those hindrances?

### Gospel Community Discussion Questions:

1. Read Luke 11:1-4 and consider the four needs Jesus reveals through this model prayer. Why are each of these legitimate and important needs for the path of following Jesus? What happens if we don't recognize one of these needs?
2. Do the four needs revealed in Jesus' model prayer reflect what you believe you need for the journey of discipleship? Do all these needs show up in your prayers often? What (if any) is missing from your prayers?
3. Read Luke 11:5-9. The point of this parable is that we should not be ashamed in coming before God with our needs. Do you ever feel shame in asking God for something in prayer? What shameful thoughts might hold you back from prayer? How does the gospel address these thoughts?
4. Read Luke 11:10-12. What picture do these verses paint of God? What affect should this picture have on our prayer lives?

### **Breakout Time**

Split your group into men and women to pray for one another and speak the gospel of grace into one another's lives. Discuss any prayer updates and celebrate any growth or answers to prayer.