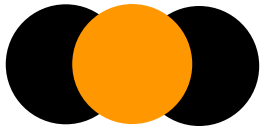




Welcome to Youth Development Ministry

Sunday, Jan. 12 & 26, 2025

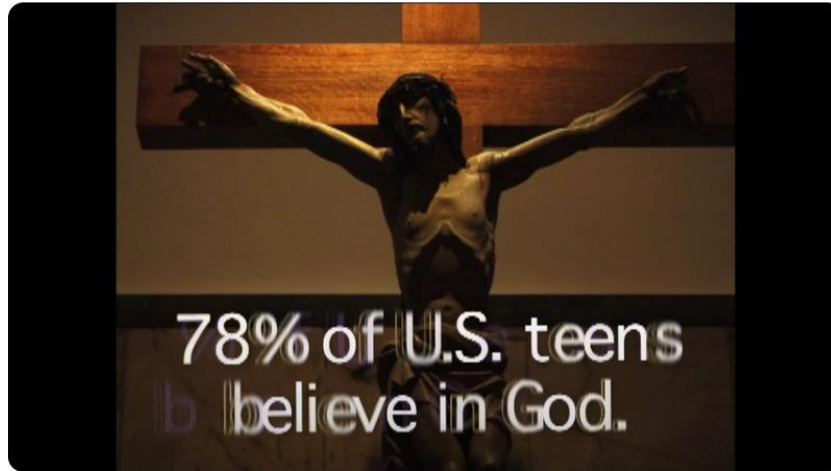


**Jesus Declares the
Temple as a House of
Prayer**

 **Mark 11:17** –

*"And as he taught them,
he said, 'Is it not written:
My house will be called a
house of prayer for all
nations?"*

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Teenage Prayer

You are young, but don't let anyone treat you as if you are not important. Be an example to show the believers how they should live. Show them by what you say, by the way you live, by your love, by your faith, and by your pure life.

1 Timothy 4:12



01

What is something you have prayed for recently?



02

How do you feel when your prayers are answered?



03

What Bible verse about prayer speaks to you the most?



04

What are some distractions that keep you from praying?



05

How can you encourage a friend to pray?

Self-Reflection Reflection on on Prayer

Understanding Prayer

Jeremiah 29:12-13

"Then you will call upon Me and go and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart."



What is Prayer?

Prayer is talking to God. It is how we thank Him, ask for help, and tell Him about our feelings.

Why is Prayer Important?

Prayer helps us grow closer to God. It shows our love for Him and helps us ask for guidance in life.

Where Can We Pray?

You can pray anywhere – at home, school, church, or anywhere you feel comfortable.
God is always listening.



Barriers to Prayer

- 01** Distractions from daily life
- 02** Not seeing immediate results
- 03** Lack of understanding about prayer
- 04** Busy schedules and responsibilities responsibilities
- 05** Doubts about its effectiveness





•Matthew 21:13 (MSG)

"My house was designated a house of prayer; You have made it a hangout for thieves".

**What did Jesus call
call His house?**



Jesus called His house a
House of Prayer,
showing the
importance of prayer in
connecting with God.

**Why do people
stop praying?**



Many people stop praying
because they do not see
results right away. However,
prayer is about faith and
trust in God's timing.

**God's house is meant to be a place of prayer and
worship, but people have misused it for selfish gain.**



Matthew 6:6:

"Here's what I want you to do: Find a quiet, secluded place so you won't be tempted to role-play before God. Just be there as simply and honestly as you can manage. The focus will shift from you to God, and you will begin to sense his grace."

Prayer Unites Us

Prayer Connects All People

God created all people, and He desires for us to come together in love and unity. No matter our background, we can pray for one another and support each other in faith.

Jesus emphasizes the value of sincere, private prayer, fostering a genuine connection with God.

Prayer and Fellowship

How Prayer Helps Us Develop Spiritually

Prayer allows us to grow spiritually, build faith, and strengthen our connection with God. It helps us navigate life's challenges and find peace in God's presence.



Praying Together Builds Community

Prayer is a powerful way to bring people together. When we pray and fellowship with others, we grow stronger in our faith and create meaningful relationships.





01 Prayer is for everyone, no matter where you are from.



02 God listens to all people, from every nation and background.



03 Jesus taught that we should love and pray for one another.



04 How can we include others in our prayers?



05 Why is it important to pray for unity and understanding?



Prayer Reflection

Making Prayer a Priority

Think about ways you can include prayer in your daily routine. Morning, Morning, before meals, and before bed are great times to talk to God. to God.

****Reflection Questions:****

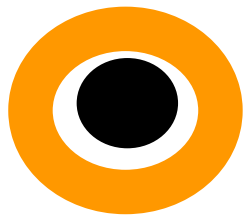
1. Why do you think prayer is important in your life?

2. How do you feel after praying?

3. What is one prayer request you have this week?

4. Who is someone you can pray for today?





Prayer Study Week One



The Priority of Prayer

Prayer is one of the most important keys to the Kingdom of Heaven. Jesus Himself emphasized prayer as a vital part of our spiritual life. Prayer is most powerful when coupled with fasting.

Why Do People Pray?

Prayer is an intrinsic part of the human spiritual experience. Across different religions, people seek to connect with the divine, showing that the human spirit longs for God.

A Call to Pray for Others

As believers, we should pray for those who do not yet know yet know God, asking Him to open their eyes to His truth and truth and love.

James 1:5: "If you don't know what you're doing, pray to the Father. He loves to help. You'll get his help and won't be condescended to when you ask for it."



When you're uncertain, this verse assures that seeking God's wisdom through prayer is always met with His generous guidance.