

FOLLOW CAMPAIGN • Week 6 • Learning to PRAY like Jesus

Sermon Summary:

The sermon compared the church to a possible WWII submarine, which became lost and vulnerable after losing communication with command. In the same way, believers may have activity, programs, and good intentions — yet become spiritually powerless when prayer is neglected. Prayer is not an optional spiritual habit; it is the lifeline of relationship with God.

Jesus modeled a life where prayer was central, consistent, and transformational. Prayer is not merely crisis communication but ongoing communion with the Father. Through prayer we align our hearts with God, depend on Him persistently, stand in the gap for others through intercession, and develop disciplined spiritual habits that sustain faith and mission. The invitation is simple but profound: followers of Jesus learn to live connected to God through daily prayer.

Conversation Questions:

1. What stood out to you most from the message? What did you learn, remember, appreciate, question, or even disagree with?
2. Prayer as Communion (Mark 1:35) Jesus prioritized prayer even when ministry was busy and successful. Where do you tend to treat prayer more like emergency communication rather than daily communion with God?
3. Prayer as Persistent Dependence (James 4:2; Matthew 7:7) The message emphasized asking, seeking, and knocking continually. What makes persistence in prayer difficult for you, and how have you seen persistence shape faith or character?
4. Prayer as Intercession (Ezekiel 22:30) We are called to “stand in the gap” for others. Who has God placed on your heart to pray for regularly, and how might intercessory prayer change the way you see them?
5. Prayer as Practiced Discipline (Acts 2:42; Daniel 6:10) A strong prayer life is built intentionally, not accidentally. What practical step could help you develop a consistent rhythm of prayer this week?

Scriptures for Further Reflection

Benefits of Prayer

- Philippians 4:6–7 — Prayer brings peace that guards our hearts and minds.
- John 15:7 — Abiding in Christ through prayer leads to spiritual fruitfulness.

Consequences of Prayerlessness

- John 15:5 — Apart from Jesus, we can do nothing.
- Matthew 26:41 — Watch and pray so that you do not fall into temptation.

Posture & Requirement of Prayer

- Hebrews 4:16 — We approach God’s throne with confidence to receive mercy and grace.