

1. What stood out to you from the sermon?

Read Luke 11:1-13

2. What stands out to you as you read through the passage?
3. Below is the structure of how Jesus teaches the disciples to pray. Take some time as a group to consider the following questions and ways in which you already incorporate this in your prayers or could add it when you pray. For all five elements, I would encourage you to take a long time. This will be most of the discussion today. If you find yourself moving quickly, ask each other about ways that you pray and ways other believers have taught you to pray.

One more note: for each question, try to say how you already say it (For instance, I often start my prayers by announcing the attributes of God that come to mind... "God, you are all powerful, all knowing, everywhere, and you are merciful and just...")

- a. Your name be honored - *Focus on God and who the Bible reveals He is*
 - b. Your kingdom come - *Recognize of his rule and our purpose to follow*
 - c. Give us our daily bread – *Understand our need of His sovereign provision*
 - d. Forgive our sins – *Confess our sin and consider His righteousness, praising Christ for what He has done*
 - e. Lead us not into temptation - *Declaration of our need of His direction*
4. How would you answer someone who asks: "Why do we pray if God already knows what we are going to pray for?"
 5. In the second half of the passage, Jesus uses different parables to explain how God regards us when we pray. What do we learn about how we should pray in each? What do we learn about how God responds in each?
 6. Take some time as you close to pray following the five elements Jesus put in his prayer. Share prayer requests and lift each other up.