

Life Group Notes

Hungry for the Amen Sunday 19th March 2017

Welcome

What comes to mind when you hear the word prayer?

Did you grow up knowing the Lord's Prayer? When would you get to recite it? Was prayer a part of your school experience maybe? Did it become something you recited out of memory or did it have meaning for you?

Word

On a scale of 1-10 with 10 being the highest, how would you rate your time spent talking with God this past week? Explain.

What keeps you from praying?

Examples could be guilt, boredom, distraction, pain, doubt.

Why is prayer sometimes a last resort after we have tried everything else?

Read Matthew 6:33

Why do we tend to put our priorities over God's, when we pray?

Read Philippians 4:6

How do you feel about this verse?

How honest are you with God when you pray? What reasons keep you from being honest with God?

What are the subjects or concerns you most often talk to God about when you pray?

Be sensitive when asking this: Is there something you are currently praying for that God has apparently not yet answered? How have you handled this prayer not being answered? Have you stopped praying for that thing or person?

Do you think there will be answers you may never understand? If so, how does that make you feel.

How do you best communicate with God? What helps you? What kind of environments help this communication be effective and meaningful for you? Do you have normal times in a day or week when you pray? What are some of the hurdles you have faced when doing this thing called prayer? What hurdles might you still find challenging?

Encourage each other with some creative suggestions.

How do you feel when someone says he or she is praying for you?

Maybe share one specific request in your life that may be weighing on you at the moment and get the group to pray into that.

Read the Lord's Prayer together (Matthew 6:9-13)

Which part of that prayer do individuals feel they may need to lean into this week.

Use that to pray for any specific requests that were mentioned earlier.

Continue to pray for us as a community as we move closer to Launch day!