



SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Speaker: Chris Royalty
Sunday: June 21, 2020

- 1) Begin your time by briefly praying and asking the Holy Spirit to help you as you discuss and study.
- 2) This week's sermon is about our need to spend time with God in prayer. Though Jesus was God (and you might assume he wouldn't need to pray) he continually spent time with his Father in prayer. As a group, share about your most meaningful prayer experience. What made it meaningful?
- 3) Read Matthew 7:7-11 together.
- 4) What stuck out to you as you read? Was there anything that you didn't understand? Discuss.
- 5) In light of this passage, do you need to change how you pray in some way? Explain.
- 6) Chris made an interesting point in his sermon: "The word 'prayer' is mentioned 37 times in the gospels, and of those 37 mentions, 33 of them refer to situations in which the people of God are praying together (corporately)." We *should* definitely pray alone with God, but we should also pray together. Why does this seem so hard? How could we make praying together easier, less awkward, etc?
- 7) Read Romans 8:26-27 together.
- 8) What does this passage teach us about prayer? Discuss.
- 9) Since we're talking about prayer, what's on your heart? What are you burdened to pray for right now? (Make a list as a group). End your time in prayer together as a group.