

## **Week 13: “Praying Like It Matters” – 1 Timothy 2:1-8**

*\*\*Please have the ADULTS in your groups ‘Sign-In’ to GraceHill Small Groups via Church Center\*\**

**Ice Breaker Question:** Who is the most famous person you have met/spoken to?

### **Sermon Questions**

- 1) It is our tendency to make prayer a last resort in our lives.
  - a) What leads us to do this?
  - b) What would help you to prioritize prayer/believe in its power more readily?
- 2) We cannot be the Church, and we cannot be followers of Jesus without prayer.
  - a) Do you agree with this statement? Why or why not?
  - b) What does prayer bring into the life of the Church and the life of individual Christians?
- 3) Prayer comes in different forms (supplication, prayer, intercession, thanksgiving).
  - a) Which forms are most prevalent in your life? Were there any missing from the list?
  - b) Who do you pray for most often? Who do you leave out or forget to include?
- 4) God uses our prayers.
  - a) Discuss what this means. How have you seen this to be true?
- 5) Jesus mediates our prayers.
  - a) Was this a new thought for you? How can this perspective be helpful to our prayer lives?
- 6) The timing of a gift may be just as important as the gift itself.
  - a) How does this apply to our prayer life?
  - b) What questions or thoughts does this raise for you?
  - c) What might God bring into our lives in times where we are asked to wait or even struggle for a season?

### **Digging Deeper**

Read Matthew 6:5-14 and Luke 11:1-13.

- 1) What insights do you gain regarding prayer from these passages
- 2) What questions about prayer are raised in your mind as you consider these passages?

### **Prayer Time**

Spend some time collecting prayer requests and seeking God’s help and guidance for the week!