### Week 4: Romans 8: 18-27

# **Ice Breaker Question**

1. Tell the group about a favorite teacher you have had?

### **Sermon Questions**

- 1. How would you define prayer? How have you viewed prayer throughout your life (i.e., how has it changed over the years from childhood to adulthood)?
- 2. We discussed the concept of "when & where we should pray"...discuss and share new insights around this topic. (For additional discussion review Matthew 6:5-8 and 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18).
- 3. What is your current prayer style (spontaneous vs. structured)? What benefits might there be in mixing & matching these styles?
- 4. What is your motivation for prayer? How can changing the "why" behind our prayers guide us in this practice?
- 5. What are the components of a "good prayer"? What should be included? Where do we start? (Review Matthew 6:9-13).

## **Digging Deeper**

- 1. Review Romans 8: 26-27; 34, Hebrews 7:25. What members of the Trinity are involved in prayer? What roles do they play?
- 2. Review Psalm 8:1, John 17:1, Ephesians 5:20, Jude 20-21. To whom should we address our prayers? Can we use different names for God? Which ones?
- 3. Review Romans 8: 22-23 and 8:26-27. Paul uses the word "groaning" in relation to our prayers to God, why do you think he uses this word?

## **Prayer Time**

Spend 5-10 minutes praying for one another, for the GraceHill Family, for our Small Group Ministry, for believers around the world that they would be strengthened in Faith, and for the lost, that they would hear the Gospel and believe.