PRAYER EXPERIENCE



GROUP PRAYER TIME (30 MINUTES)

All things begin first with God...His glory, majesty and power. We want to begin our time by simply looking to him and acknowledging his worth above all things. In looking up, we set out to focus our hearts together on him.

Scripture Reading 1: Psalm 8

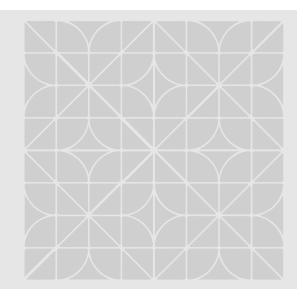
- Silent Reflection
- Responsive Group Prayer

Scripture Reading 2: Philippians 2:1-11

- Silent Reflection
- Responsive Group Prayer

Scripture Reading Three: Psalm 148

- Silent Reflection
- Responsive Group Prayer



INDIVIDUAL PRAYER TIME (30 MINUTES)

In prayer we are led by the Holy Spirit to look deeper into the truth of his word and deeper into our own hearts as he reveals to us those areas that we have attempted to hide away from his view and the view of others. Take time to allow him to speak by his word in by his Spirit as you journey deeper in.

Read

Don't give into the temptation to simply glance over these passages, some of which may be very familiar to you. Take time to read them and in turn allow them to read you. You may find it helpful to read each passage a few times, pausing each time before reading and asking God to speak the truth of each word to your heart.

Reflect

After reading, allow time and space to reflect or ponder in your heart what you have just read. Allow God's word to become his word to you and illuminate the deep truth of the text by the Holy Spirit.



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Pray

After you have read and reflected on the passage, take time to pray your response. Perhaps you are experiencing renewed appreciation for God or His work. Perhaps you are experiencing disappointments and confusion. Take time to reveal your heart, as it is, to God.

Contemplate

Then contemplate on the truth of what has been revealed through his word and the conversation you have had with God. God speaks...take time, listen, wait and rest in the reality of his presence and the fullness of his love.

SCRIPTURE READING 1: Psalm 139

- Silent Reflection
- Responsive Prayer/Journaling

SCRIPTURE READING 2: Romans 6:1-14

- Silent Reflection
- Responsive Prayer/Journaling



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SCRIPTURE READING 1: Ephesians 1:3-11, Galatians 5:16-26

- Silent Reflection
- Responsive Prayer/Journaling

GROUP DEBRIEF (60 MINUTES)

Consider these questions as you enjoy a meal with each other!

- What was your experience meeting with God and engaging his voice through prayer and Scripture?
- How do you personally encounter God's voice?
- What did this focused prayer time mean to you? How did it affect you?
- Did you want to share any other relevant feelings or revelations from God during this time in prayer?
- Would you like to experience this type of experience on a more regular basis?

