



LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY

MESSAGE NOTES & DISCUSSION GUIDE

WEEK 6 – THE POWER OF FORGIVENESS

⁹This, then, is how you should pray:

*Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
¹⁰your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.*

¹¹Give us today our daily bread.

*¹²And forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.*

*¹³And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from the evil one.*

¹⁴ For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. ¹⁵ But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

– Matthew 6:9-15 (NIV)

Our relationship with one another is as important as our relationship with Christ.

The Lord's Prayer is all about _____.

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"Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors." Vs. 12

What forgiveness is

*"He (GOD) does not _____ as our sins deserve
or _____ according to our iniquities."*

– Psalm 103:10 (NIV)

Why forgiveness is necessary

Forgiveness moves us from _____.

What forgiveness requires

A radical work of God in the _____

_____ of his people.

It begins with prayer as Jesus taught us to pray

We need the right _____.

We need the right _____.

We need the right _____.

We need the right _____.

The revival we want to see begins with us.

Jesus prayed for us

“... that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me.” – John 17:21 NIV

DIGGING DEEPER:

1. In Matthew 6:12-15, is Jesus indicating that our relationship with others is as important as our relationship with him?
2. The bible pictures the church as a family. What spiritual benefits has Jesus designed us to receive from each other as brothers and sisters in Christ? What things tend to tear any family relationships apart?
3. The bible also pictures the church as a body. What spiritual work is able to be done in a greater way when we are functioning as a healthy body? What diseases can infect the body of Christ that make us dysfunctional?
4. The bible also pictures the church as a temple. What does this convey regarding the importance of our being rightly connected together?
5. Read Ephesians 4:3. Why does it take “effort” to maintain unity in the body of Christ? What sort of effort does it take? Why does doing these things require “effort?”
6. Why does the devil work so hard to separate us spiritually from one another?
7. What are some of the spiritual blessings you have received by being in community with other followers of Jesus?
8. What can every follower of Jesus do to help maintain more healthy spiritual relationships in the church?