JESUS AT THE CENTER OF PRAYER

Praise Message 2 Bryan Jones October 22, 2023

Outline

"... Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name."

Matthew 6:9 (NIV)

A. Introduction (Matthew 6:9)

B. Praise God for...

1. _____ He is. (Matthew 6:9-13)

Answers: B.1. Who 2. What

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2. _____ He has done. (Psalm 118:24; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

When you start saying daily, _____ you will no longer wonder, where are You, God!

Digging Deeper – Week 2 Praise

Use this guide by yourself or with friends to pursue a deeper relationship with Jesus. To connect with others, visit <u>brookwoodchurch.org/groups</u>.

Focus

This week our focus is on...

"... may Your name be kept holy." Matthew 6:9b (NLT)

Open

How was your time in prayer this past week?

Pray

Pause for a few minutes to quiet your heart and mind. Then ask God for insight and direction as you study and reflect on this week's lesson.

Connect

Watch this week's video*, then use the following questions for reflection and conversation. Consider these Scriptures as you study and reflect: 2 Kings 6:16-17; Psalm 20:7-8; Matthew 14:17-21.

- 1. What stood out to you from the video? Did anything specific catch your attention?
- 2. What does it mean to you that God is *holy*?
- 3. How does a person keep God's name holy?
- 4. In what ways have you experienced the power of God?
- 5. *God's hands can do what ours cannot*. What area of your life do you tend to be most self-reliant?
- 6. In what area of life are you most desperate to experience the power of God?
- 7. Why is it sometimes difficult to trust God?
- 8. Describe a time you trusted God during a struggle.
- 9. If God knows everything, what's the purpose of prayer?
- 10. What's the most beautiful, awe-inspiring thing that draws your attention toward God?

- 11. God is over all creation and at the same time as close as a friend. Which do you tend to focus on—His bigness or His nearness? What are ways you can grow in seeing Him in both of these ways?
- 12. If you were to select one story or season in your life when you were most overwhelmed by God's presence, which would you pick? Describe what happened and what it was like.

Guided Prayer

Make a list of names, titles and metaphors of God. Spend time praising God for who He is and how He's worked in your life.

Daily Devotional

Spend time with God each day with the Daily Devotional. Available on the App. Booklets are available with the Receptionist or at the Information Desk.

Memory Verse

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. **1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (NLT)**

Daily Reading

Day 1: Philippians 2:9-11	Day 5: Psalm 147:5
Day 2: Ephesians 3:20-21	Day 6: John 1:1-4
Day 3: Jeremiah 29:11-14	Day 7: Psalm 86:15
Day 4: James 1:16-17	

Pray for Next Sunday

- 1. Pray that Brookwood is a church that praises God.
- 2. Pray that people will praise God for who He is.
- 3. Pray that people will praise God for what He has done.

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