

# CONNECT

Part 2: Praying the Word

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## **John 15:7-8**

If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.

Prayer is dependence on God

## **John 14:12-14**

“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father. Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.”

### **Definition of Prayer**

Intimacy with God that leads to

fulfillment of his purposes

accomplished by his power

and for his glory!

### **Principle of Prayer**

When we pray according to God's will, his activity increases.

And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him. – *1 John 5:14-15*

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## **The church that prays together stays together**

"Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them." – *Matthew 18:19-20*

### **Pray the Word of God out loud to God every day**

Start your day with God

Commit to one-hour prayer

### **Next Steps**

After today's service, stop by the Connection Point in the Commons to sign up and find out more about these prayer opportunities:

**24/7 Prayer Team:** Help us establish ongoing, round-the-clock prayer for the ministries of CTK and for our community. Sign up to pray for one hour, every week at a specific time. You'll receive a weekly prayer email from Pastor Grant Fishbook.

**Corporate Prayer Team:** Commit to pray (not at a specific time) for the ministries of CTK and for our community. You'll receive a weekly prayer email from Pastor Grant Fishbook.

**Prayer Army:** Pray for requests submitted by people who attend CTK or visit us on the web. You'll receive a weekly email or letter containing all the requests submitted. Pray at any time that works for you.

#### **Small Group Questions**



1. Do you enjoy praying for others? Why or why not?
2. Share a time when God answered specific prayer in your life.
3. What barriers do you experience in trying to pray consistently? (tired, distracted, doubt, don't know what to say, etc.)
4. How do you feel when God doesn't answer prayer, at least in the way you think he should?
5. Have someone in the group read Matthew 6:9-10 out loud. Take time to share individual prayer requests and pray for one another's needs using the phrases from the Lord's prayer as your guide.