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**WE HAVE A CONVICTION AT CROSSPOINT THAT WITH GOD, ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE.** In light of this, we desire to practice consistent faith filled prayer, knowing and expecting that he can do more than we ask or imagine!

That's what these 21 Days of Prayer are about. We want to seek God knowing that we need God and that nothing of eternal significance happens apart from him. This is a time to clear out the distractions of life, focus your heart, and seek the Lord. I pray that God uses this season to increase your faith and that you walk away spiritually refreshed and more in love with Jesus.

If you have questions about this booklet or prayer in general, feel free to contact us at [\*\*prayer@crosspointcity.com\*\*](mailto:prayer@crosspointcity.com). I can't wait to see how God moves as we seek him over the next 21 days!

Pastor James

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "James", with a large, sweeping initial letter.

# How to Use This Booklet

Over the next 21 days of prayer, we hope that the Lord will use this time in a significant way in your life. This is a time to clear out the distractions of life, focus your heart, and seek the Lord together as a church. This booklet contains a daily Scripture reading, reflection, questions for personal prayer, and corporate prayer points for you to use during this 21 day period. Our hope in providing this booklet is that it will assist you in focusing your heart each day. Here are some ways to make the best use of your reading each day:

## **READ**

Each day will begin with a short reading of Scripture. Above all else in this booklet, this is the most important part! Begin each day by hearing from the Word that God has spoken to us. The daily reading is directly connected to the daily “theme” that is listed at the top of the page.

## **REFLECTION**

After reading each passage on your own, you will find a short reflection on what you have just read. Spend time going over each reflection and continue to think through what the Scripture is teaching you and how God wants to use that truth in your life.

## **QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER**

Each day you will find a few questions listed to prompt personal prayer in response to the Scripture reading from that day. During this time of personal reflection, begin to pray over whatever the Lord may prompt in your heart each day.

## **COPORATE PRAYER**

The last portion you will see each day is a section for corporate prayers. This section is here to corporately align our prayers as a church family. Some of these needs are Crosspoint specific, while others are prayers for people and places outside of Crosspoint. Pray over anything that God calls to your mind as you read through the corporate prayer list each day.

# FASTING GUIDE

Over the course of these 21 Days of Prayer, many will find it significant to fast during this intentional season. Below is a short guide for those considering fasting:

## What is Fasting?

The goal of fasting is to draw near to God. Biblical fasting always has to do with eliminating distractions for a spiritual purpose. Fasting is a way to express our desire for God and our holy discontent in a fallen world. Remember, your personal fast should present a level of challenge, but it is very important to know your body, your options, and most importantly, to seek God in prayer and follow what the Holy Spirit leads you to do. (Scripture references: Matthew 6:16-18, Matthew 9:14-15, Luke 18:1-14)

## Types of Fasts

### Complete Fast

In this type of fast, you drink only liquids, typically water with light juices as an option.

### Selective Fast

This type of fast involves removing certain elements from your diet. One example of a selective fast is the Daniel Fast, during which you remove meat, sweets, and bread from your diet and consume water and juice for fluids and fruits and vegetables for food.

### Partial Fast

This fast is sometimes called the “Jewish Fast” and involves abstaining from eating any type of food in the morning and afternoon. This can either correlate to specific times of the day, such as 6:00 am to 3:00 pm, or from sunup to sundown.

### Non-Food Fast

This fast is a great option if you do not have much experience fasting food, have health issues that prevent you from fasting food, or if you wish to refocus certain areas of your life that are out of balance. For example, you might choose to stop using social media or watching television for the duration of the fast and then carefully bring that element back into your life in healthy doses at the conclusion of the fast.



## Proper Foundation

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### Read Matthew 6:5-7

#### REFLECTION

When we have significant moments in life or significant decisions we must make, one important question is always: “What is my goal in this?” Asking this question leads us to think about goals, purpose, motivations, and desires. Why do we do the things that we do as human beings? This is the question Jesus is coming at in regards to prayer. Essentially, Jesus is asking us the question of why we want to pray. Do we find ourselves being prayerful only to be noticed by others? Do we conduct our lives in a way that is truly hoping others will notice just how “spiritual” we are? As we begin a season of intentional prayer, we cannot begin without addressing the motivation and foundation that life is built upon. Intentional prayer is not something we do to be seen, but instead we pray hoping to draw close to the Lord. Today, we examine our hearts and ask for the help we need to have the right foundation.

#### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

Where do you see hypocrisy in your own life currently? What areas of your life should you pray through today in response to the teaching of Jesus on prayer?

#### CORPORATE PRAYER

- For God to use these 21 days to make our church more prayerfully dependent on Him.
- Spiritual growth of people participating in 21 Days of Prayer.



## Great Comfort

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### Read Matthew 6:8

#### REFLECTION

Many of us are familiar with the popular Disney movie Aladdin. One central character in the movie is the Genie. The Genie, if you do not already know, is an over-the-top character that lives in a magical lamp, has incredible power, and can use that power when his owner comes asking for a wish to be granted. Many of us may be tempted to view prayer in a similar way that we see the Genie interact on screen. We may be tempted to think that God is distant and only present with us when called upon. With needs left unstated, does God even see us day by day? Matthew 6:8 shows us just the opposite of that being true. With a remarkable small sentence, Jesus shows us something about the character and nature of God: He is present, aware, and in tune with who we are and what we need. God is not wondering what you need. He is not unaware of your present circumstances. God our Father knows what we need before we ever come to Him. He is a good Father that knows His children better than they know themselves. Today, rest in the comfort of knowing that the God that created the galaxies knows you better than you could possibly understand.

#### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

How does the truth of Matthew 6:8 bring you comfort with your current circumstances in life? What do you need to remember about the character of God as you come to Him in prayer today?

#### CORPORATE PRAYER

- For our church to have a heart of thanksgiving for all God has done
- That God would make us more aware of His presence in our lives



## God be Glorified

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### Read Matthew 6:9

#### REFLECTION

Humans love to talk about the things they love. The company Apple has made a fortune off of this being true. When someone gets a new device, they are quick to tell anyone who will listen. This shows us something unique about who we are as people. We can see that people love to bring glory to the things they love. This truth should be seen in the life of every Christian in the greatest way. When Jesus is teaching on prayer in Matthew 6:9, He is teaching us what the ultimate desire of our life should be: for God to be glorified. When Jesus addressed God as Father, it is a term of intimacy and warmth that He is using to describe what a relationship with the Father looks like. We also see that in response to the Father's love and care, He desires to see the Father glorified. Today, the same should be the desire in our hearts. In response to the tender love, care, and provision of our Father, we should desire to see his name hallowed, or glorified, in everything we do.

#### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

When you examine your heart, what do you see yourself attempting to glorify most in your life? How can you humbly submit yourself to the Lord everyday through your prayer life?

#### CORPORATE PRAYER

- The upcoming ministry of 2019 for Crosspoint
- Vision and direction for the Crosspoint Elders



## Heaven on Earth

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### Read Matthew 6:10

#### REFLECTION

Deep in our hearts, we have an understanding that the world is not exactly how it was meant to be. Brokenness, pain, injustice, frustration, and heartbreak all attest to the fact that something is wrong. As Christians, we understand that what has gone wrong in the world is sin. Sin has caused brokenness on many levels, but we also have hope in the midst of pain. When man sinned against God, God promised He would restore all that was wrong. Put simply, heaven needed to restore earth. This is exactly what has happened in the coming of Christ. Christ came to restore all that was broken in the fall. As we wait for His return, we know that it is the responsibility of the church (us) to be God's representatives in the world. As we pray, we pray as people that desire to see the kingdom of heaven invade earth. We pray that God would use us to accomplish His perfect will on earth, just as it is in heaven. Today, pray that God would use His people to be a better reflection on what is happening in heaven right now in this moment.

#### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

What in your life is not reflecting the kingdom of heaven? How can you ask for the Lord to use you to accomplish His purposes today?

#### CORPORATE PRAYER

- Broken marriages to be restored
- For God to raise up strong and godly families throughout our community





## Provision

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### Read Matthew 6:11

#### REFLECTION

When we think about the idea of provision, we are quick to think of financial or physical provision. A promotion at work that brings a pay increase, the new house we hoped for, or the new car that is drastically better than our old one. When we see these things, we know that we have been provided for. This is good to recognize, but provision extends past more than just the material. God is the giver, sustainer, and provider of every single thing that makes up who we are as humans. In our affluent society, we may not feel like we need much at times. Deep down though, if we are honest, there are parts of us that are broken. Maybe not financially, but maybe emotionally. Maybe spiritually we are in a dry point of life and are wondering how to find our way back. Today, no matter where you find yourself, God is your provider. Whatever needs you may have, no matter what the form, God invites you to bring those requests to Him. He actually desires that from you. He is not tired, nor will He ever be, of providing for you. In fact, your dependence on His provision is the way you are designed to live.

#### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

What fears or anxieties keep you from trusting in the Lord's provision?  
How can you be more intentional about being in the Word every day?

#### CORPORATE PRAYER

- Passion to know the Lord through His Word
- Make us a church that is desperate and dependent on God



## Daily Grace

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### Read Matthew 6:12

#### REFLECTION

Think about one of your closest relationships in your life. Spouses, siblings, friends, or family members may come to mind. When we love someone deeply, nothing is more uncomfortable for us than when something is hindering our relationship. When you love someone, you want fellowship restored immediately. When Jesus teaches us to pray for our debts to be forgiven, He is not communicating that we need to be saved again each day. When we trust in Christ, we are forgiven once and for all. Instead, Jesus is teaching us to bring our sin before God that is causing our relationship with Him to be hindered. We may have a tendency to try and cover or hide our sin from God, as if He is unaware. As much as we may try and hide, unconfessed sin causes a hindrance between us and the Lord. Do you want the good news? You are never asked to hide your sin or even make up for your sin. Instead, God invites us to bring it to Him and see fellowship with Him restored. Today, do not run from your failures. Instead, bring them to the Lord and receive His grace that is always waiting on you.

#### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

What unrepentant sin may be hindering your relationship with Jesus right now? Is there any unforgiveness in your heart that you may need to reconcile with someone?

#### CORPORATE PRAYER

- 260,000 people in our community who do not know the Lord
- That God would make us a people who take the Gospel to others with urgency



## Protection

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### Read Matthew 6:13

#### REFLECTION

Trials and suffering. These are two things that we may never want, but the Bible consistently shows how they can be for our good and cause us to grow in maturity. As much as we may not desire suffering to be part of our experience, when we do go through seasons of suffering, we can see how suffering well is actually good for us in some strange way. We should note that this type of suffering is different from being given into temptation. When Jesus teaches us to pray that God the Father protect us from temptation, He is praying that we would not be given into sin. Regardless of how long we have struggled with a particular sin, Jesus is calling us to pray regularly for protection from it. Do you find yourself struggling with lust, pride, anger, or envy? Pray for protection. Your Father in heaven desires to see you walk in obedience and freedom, not slavery to sin. In fact, God has given you His Spirit to empower you to overcome. Pray for His protection today.

#### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

How is sin harmful and why should we seek protection from it? How can prayer help you to repent and fight your sin in moments of temptation?

#### CORPORATE PRAYER

- For Crosspoint students to make disciples for the next generation
- For wisdom and spiritual growth of small group leaders for students



## Abide In Christ

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### Read John 15:1-5

#### REFLECTION

When we come to Christ, we experience many dramatic changes in our hearts and life overall. Much of what we have learned throughout life has to be deconstructed and built back up in the way of Jesus. Maybe one of the greatest areas this is true for us is in the idea of dependence. We have spent our entire lives being treated as if we have to be self-sufficient. Everything we get in life, we are told we must do. We are trained up to be self-sustaining people who should not have to look anywhere for help. In fact, asking for help may even mean you are weak. John 15 presents us with an idea that we need to let seep in the deepest part of our hearts. Jesus tells us that we are needier than we know. The idea of self-sufficiency is an unbiblical idea according to Christ. Instead, Jesus calls us to a better way: abide in Him. Depend, rely, and give yourself fully to Christ. When you are completely dependent on Him, you are experiencing life in the way He desires it for you.

#### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

How does prayer help us to become more dependent on the Lord and abide in Him? What would it look like for you to be prayerfully dependent on the Lord today?

#### CORPORATE PRAYER

- God to restore those who are broken hearted and suffering emotionally
- For the Lord to heal those who are facing physical pain



## **Bear Fruit**

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### **Read John 15:6-11**

#### **REFLECTION**

Yesterday, we established that we are in great need to depend on Christ alone and not in our own effort. But the question for us becomes, what happens when we abide and depend on Him? Each of us should desire to live meaningful, significant, and God glorifying lives in our time here on earth. But what if the only way to actually see that be true of us is through depending on Christ with everything we are? Jesus is teaching us today that if we want to see God glorified in our lives, it comes through learning to abide. Why is that? Well, the only way to bear true fruit is through Him. We are busy at times, even with good things, thinking we are making an eternal impact. Today, we should actually slow down and examine our hearts. Are we bearing eternal fruit through being completely dependent on Christ? Or, are we walking in our own strength, living busy lives, only proving to be empty at the end of the day? Draw close to Christ today. He wants you to depend on Him alone for your strength.

#### **QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER**

Read Galatians 5:19-26. Which list do you see evident in your own life? How does prayer help us to bear fruit by the Spirit?

#### **CORPORATE PRAYER**

- Guidance and wisdom for Elders, Pastors, and Ministers at Crosspoint
- Godly leadership to continue to develop in every ministry



## He Hears Us

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### Read 1 John 5:13-15

#### REFLECTION

“And those who were seen dancing were thought to be insane by those who could not hear the music.” This quote, as simple and silly as it may be, is really insightful to think about. Imagine someone with headphones on, dancing furiously, but you cannot hear the music they are dancing to. They would look absolutely nuts! So it is with the people of God. 1 John 5:13-15 shows us that much of the things we ask for, live for, and hope for are probably going to look insane to those that cannot “hear the music” of the kingdom. Today, God actually hears our prayers. That alone is incredible, but it does not stop there. Not only does God hear us, but according to the text, He grants our requests in accordance with His will. Today, we should remind ourselves that as we are in tune with God’s will, we can ask and know that God hears us. He hears us and He responds to our requests to Him. What do you need to ask the Lord for today? When we pray, even if it may seem insane to others, it can be perfectly in tune to the frequency of Heaven.

#### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

What do you find yourself praying about regularly? What would it look like to pursue the Lord’s will in your own prayer life?

#### CORPORATE PRAYER

- World Care Partners: Joel and Amanda Griffin, Engage Burkina and Food for the Hungry
- The Gospel to advance around the world to unreached people groups



## Confident in Prayer

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### Read James 5:13-18

#### REFLECTION

When reading James 5:13-18, you get a sense that James wants us to be people who see prayer as normal, not abnormal in our everyday life. Whether times of suffering or sickness and in times of cheerfulness and joy, we are called to be a people of prayer. The call of James 5 is to pray, praise, and commune with God day by day. Now, why does James see prayer as such a “normal” thing for the people of God? He reminds us of Elijah’s answered prayer as a way to encourage us. When we think of Elijah, we may think of someone incredibly special who was used by God in the Old Testament. James sees Elijah as someone who is just like us. Simply put, he was a man God used. Today, the call for us is to remember that we can come to God confidently in prayer and be a people who pray in every circumstance. Are you in need? Pray. Sick? Pray. Are you in a time of joy? Give praise to God. After all, Elijah was a man like us and the Lord responded to His prayers in ways that even seem crazy to us.

#### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

Why do you think James encourages us to respond in prayer no matter what circumstance we find ourselves in? What sin may you need to confess to others and ask them to pray for?

#### CORPORATE PRAYER

- The Pastors and Elders of the churches in our community
- God to help use our local churches to be a light in our community and make disciples



## Seeking God's Will

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### Read Matthew 26:36-46

#### REFLECTION

Ofentimes, God's will for our lives can be far more difficult than we hoped it would be. Most days, we want things to come easy for us. Throughout life, we would naturally prefer the easy road instead of the path filled with potholes, thorns, and pain. Devoting ourselves fully to the Lord means that we are submitting ourselves to His will, even when it may be difficult and painful. Nowhere do we see this more clearly than by watching Jesus. Jesus never took the easy way out. Not once did Jesus ever cower away from the difficult, God-exalting mission that He was on. As Jesus stares down death in the garden of Gethsemane, we see Him submitting to the Father's will. Jesus' submission was more than submitting to physical pain. When Jesus goes to the cross, He goes to bear God's wrath towards sin. By submitting Himself, He sees pain upon pain, but He also sees life for us. The only way to accomplish the mission is through a bloody cross. May we follow in our Savior's footsteps by seeking and submitting to God's will, even when it costs.

#### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

What does Jesus' posture of prayer show us about how we should seek God's will? How can you surrender your will and desires and seek the Lord's with the decisions you face?

#### CORPORATE PRAYER

- Crosspoint Groups to continue to make disciples who live on mission
- Crosspoint Group leaders and their ministry





## Overcoming Temptation

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### Read James 4:1-10

#### REFLECTION

The pursuit of godliness is the journey we are on as followers of Jesus, but if we are honest, it can be extremely difficult at times. Eugene Peterson says the Christian life is one of walking in a long obedience in the same direction. Moment by moment, day by day, year by year faithfulness is what we are in pursuit of. The question we need to ask ourselves is this: how do we overcome temptation when we feel overwhelmed and ready to give in? James gives us some guidance today. The greatest security against any temptation that the enemy may try and bring our way is the security that comes from God. We must remember that the enemy, though he may be wise, is absolutely nothing compared to the strong hand of God. God is far greater than the enemy could ever hope to be. Therefore, do you want to overcome temptation? Draw close. Draw near to God and He will protect you. Having a thriving relationship with the Lord is greater than any “technique” we may try in our battle for holiness. Today, draw near to your Protector who will always defend you.

#### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

How does prayer help you to overcome temptation and resist the enemy? How can you draw near to God today in moments of temptation?

#### CORPORATE PRAYER

- The leadership and vision of NewThing Network (Church planting network we are part of.)
- God to send more laborers into the harvest of ministry in our community



## Confession

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### Read Psalm 32:5-7

#### REFLECTION

How do you view confession of sin? For many of us, the idea of confessing where we have sinned may make us a little sick to our stomach. We feel vulnerable, disappointment, and even, in our worst moment, like we have let the Lord down. But what if we began to see confession like David does in Psalm 32? What if, instead of fear, we came to confession like a child coming to the embrace of a good father? Confession is good for us. More than that, confession is necessary for us. To see our perspective on confession shift, we need to remember why confessing our sin is even possible. When Jesus went to the cross, He paid for every sin we would ever commit as our Savior, not just our past sins, but also our present and future. Nothing was left to be paid. Jesus told us that it is finished. When we confess sin, we get the chance to walk in freedom from failure. We are no longer enslaved to sin, but are instead set free. Freedom comes through confession and repentance. Today, let that be true of you.

#### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

What keeps you from being honest about your sin to God and others?  
Why is it important to confess your sins to God regularly in prayer?

#### CORPORATE PRAYER

- State and National leaders in government
- Local elected officials and non-profit organizations in our community



## Humble

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### Read Psalm 77

#### REFLECTION

How do we approach God in prayer? When you have a great week, do you feel as if He is more quick to listen to you? When you are struggling, do you feel as if He would never want to speak with you? In a performance based culture, we are quick to miss grace. Apparently this was the issue we see with the Pharisee in Luke 18. He was not like “those people” so God should surely be impressed with Him. The problem with that way of thinking is grace destroys it. Grace means that every person is on an even playing field. Today where you sit, if you are a Christian, it is by grace alone. No matter how we may feel about ourselves, we are never good enough to “impress” God. This is a freeing reality for us today. When we come to God in prayer, we are called to come humbly as we understand everything we have is because of Him. Today, humble yourself before God and receive the grace that He has to offer you.

#### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

How does the gospel free you from comparing yourself to others? Why should our sin humble us in prayer?

#### CORPORATE PRAYER

- Leaders and staff who serve in Crosspoint Kids
- For God to help our church disciple the next generation



## Confident

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### Read Hebrews 4:13-18

#### REFLECTION

We must never take for granted all that God has done for us. David understood this in Psalm 8 when he said, “what is man that you are mindful of him.” David, seeing just how small he was in the grand scheme of things, was blown away that God would actually know him and be mindful of him. Imagine with me for a minute that right now in this very moment that the God who created everything in existence is actually mindful of you, down to the smallest detail. We may struggle at times to come to the Lord because we are tempted to wonder if He cares. Hebrews 4 gives us spectacular news as we face those doubts. Because of Christ, we actually can come to God, not timid and shy, but confidently. Surely this is too good to be true? No, God’s grace has given us access to the throne of grace at all times. We are full and free to come to Him, even in the smallest of ways.

#### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

What does it mean for us to approach God in confidence and humility in prayer? Why do we allow fear and self-loathing to prevent us from coming to God in confidence in prayer?

#### CORPORATE PRAYER

- Teachers and administration for our local schools
- For the social pressures and struggles the students in our community face



## **Expectant**

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### **Read Matthew 7:7-11**

#### **REFLECTION**

Children learn how to ask for things expectantly. Think about a child asking Santa for something at Christmas time. Not quite understanding Santa's real world limitations, children will ask for things, big and small, un-phased by how much it may cost Santa to pull it off. When the truth comes out later in life, kids will look back and laugh at the level of expectation they carried. Expectation in prayer is good, necessary, and commended to us by Jesus. Like a child who is fully confident in the wish list, children of God are called to be expectant of their Father. Before we begin to think we can just revert back to our childhood asking, we must remember that as we grow in Christlikeness, our hearts will grow more in tune with God's purposes. Do you feel impressed by God to pray for something that may seem impossible? Pray expectantly. Anchor your soul to what Jesus teaches us today: God is a good Father who knows how to give perfect gifts to His children. Come expectantly to Him today.

#### **QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER**

What doubts or fears keep you from praying with faith and expectancy? What would it look like for you to pray with expectation for God to answer your prayers?

#### **CORPORATE PRAYER**

- Leaders and serve team members of Crosspoint Connections team
- For our church to be marked by their hospitality towards others and those far from God



## Persistent

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### Read Luke 18:1-8

#### REFLECTION

There are certain things in the Christian life that are really difficult to understand. To say we understand everything completely is laughable. Luke 18:1-8 may be one of those things for us. Through this parable, Jesus is inviting us to be people who are persistent in prayer. Many of us may think, “God, why not just answer my prayer the first time?” Or, “God, how long should I continue to pray for that certain thing until I give up?” As much sense as those questions make to us in our limited understanding, Jesus’ answer to us is to simply persist. In fact, the parable in Luke 18 shows us that we “ought always to pray and not lose heart.” Have you been praying for your wayward child for years? Never give up. Have you been praying for a deep need for what seems like ages? Jesus invites you to persist. What joy it is to know that God never gets bored of hearing from you. What an invitation we have from a God who is much wiser than we could imagine.

#### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

What typically discourages or keeps you from persisting in prayer? How does persistence in prayer grow our faith in the sovereignty and faithfulness of God?

#### CORPORATE PRAYER

- For the future of Crosspoint and what’s next
- Godly leaders to be developed throughout our church



## Unceasing

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### Read 1 Thessalonians 5:17 & Philippians 4:4-9

#### REFLECTION

When we think about prayer, we face a real temptation to only pray when we have a great need. There is absolutely nothing wrong with praying when in need. In fact, that is exactly what we are supposed to do. But what about the other moments in life when we are not being stared down by a need that seems impossible? What about those mundane moments of your week? Or even the mundane moments of each day? 1 Thessalonians 5:17 could not be any more simple, while also being challenging for us. We are called, in every moment, to pray without ceasing. This does not mean we walk around eyes closed and running into walls as we pray. Rather, this means that in every situation and circumstance, we are dependent on the Lord. Throughout your day, in what may usually be the most “normal” times, see these as opportunities to give thanks, or ask the Lord for help, or seek His wisdom on a decision. Commit today to do nothing apart from Him as you pray without ceasing.

#### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

In what ways can you incorporate prayer into the mundane parts of your day? How can you develop a normal rhythm of prayer into your schedule?

#### CORPORATE PRAYER

- Worship and Creative team at Crosspoint
- For God to grow a greater passion for worship



## Grateful

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### Read Psalm 100

#### REFLECTION

Nearing the end of this intentional season of prayer, by this point, we have seen God be so kind, good, and merciful towards us. He has answered prayers, restored joy, and given us hope beyond anything the world could offer. He has been greater to us than we could ever possibly deserve. What is a proper response to such amazing grace? What should a church ending a season of intentional prayer be known for? Grateful hearts. Psalm 100 is a response from a people who have seen that the Lord is good. In a world that is always looking towards the “next thing,” do not miss out on what God is doing here and now. Stop, worship, and give thanks to the God who has been so gracious towards you. Rejoice today in the goodness and tender mercy of our God.

#### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

What are some things that you are grateful for and can thank God for today? How does thanksgiving help us remember God and realign our minds and hearts on Him?

#### CORPORATE PRAYER

- For the people in our church to continue to grow in holiness
- Spiritual growth of our kids, students, adults, and ministry leaders





## Joyful

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### Read 1 Peter 1:3-9

#### REFLECTION

On the last day of this intentional time of prayer, today we stop to see a virtue that will allow us to persist in everything life throws at us: joy. Reading 1 Peter 1:3-9, you can see a deep type of joy that should be cultivated in the life of a believer because of the unending grace of God. According to the text, we have a living hope, inheritance, security in God's power, reason to believe, reason to rejoice, and assurance of the salvation of our souls. Simply put, we have a reason to be joyful. Today may be a time for you to reflect back on God's good work in your life during this season of prayer. As you look back, you can see how God has given you a reason to have joy. Remember this time. Lord willing, we will be people who now pray more, trust more, and depend on Christ who is our only hope. Walk in joy knowing you are a child of God, saved by grace that was given to you in Christ. We can build our lives upon that hope!

#### QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

How does prayer help us to find our joy in God despite the circumstances that we face? What hinders your joy, and how can prayer help you to rejoice in all things?

#### CORPORATE PRAYER

- Thank God for His faithfulness and goodness towards us as a church
- Praise God for using these 21 days to draw us closer to Him
- Ask God to help us continue to grow in our dependence upon Him this year







