



CIBC Sermon-Based Discussion Guide

This guide is designed to help guide life group discussions of this week's sermon at Cayman Islands Baptist Church. For more information on life groups and other discipleship opportunities at CIBC, please visit www.cibaptist.ky.



Get the Picture

-Title: "Pray For Each other"

-Series/Text: Prayer: The Hour That Changes The World (John 17:20-26)

-Date: Jan. 10, 2021

-Speaker: Pastor Steve

-Main Idea: God is serious about us praying for each other.



Group Discussion

a) Connect

- 1) **Commit:** Before you begin, agree as a group that you will commit to having an honest discussion about this text without casting any judgment or sharing any unsolicited advice.
- 2) **Read:** Read **Psalm 139:23-24** out loud before you pray to begin the discussion.
- 3) **Pray:** Pray over the group and ask the Lord to "Search your heart" and reveal idols that are keeping you from receiving truth.

b) Engage

- 1) **Read:** Read 1 Samuel 12 and discuss the context of Israel asking for a king.
- 2) **Discuss:** Have you every thought about prayerlessness as sin? Why do you think Samuel would say something like this?
- 3) **Discuss:** What does a lack of prayer reveal about our hearts?
- 4) **Discuss:** Is it hard for you to pray for others in the church you are frustrated with? How might praying for them privately minister to you as well as them?
- 5) **Discuss:** What is an idol? What kind of modern idols to people struggle with? How do we go about removing idols from our lives?
- 6) **Discuss:** How do you connect prayer and Scripture in your personal life?

c) Apply

- 1) **Consider:** Share your experience so far with the prayer wheel. Do you find it helpful? If you don't use the prayer wheel, share how you go about systematically praying for other believers?

d) Pray

- 1) **Silent Prayer:** Enter into a time of silence to allow God to speak to you in response to everything you discussed today. Listen for areas where He may be telling you He wants you to step out in obedience.
- 2) **Group Prayer:** After a time of silence, close out the study with a group prayer for God's help to grow in our prayer life for other believers and church members.



Going Deeper

- 1) Start by praying consistently for the other members of your life group. Begin using the prayer wheel as a means of growing consistent in your prayer life. Ask the church office for a list of church members and begin praying through the list this year. Practice holding people before your mind when you pray.