

Course Correction for 2021 LIES ABOUT PRAYER

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1 TIMOTHY 2:1-6

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LUKE 11:5-13; 18:1-9

Paul's Emphasis in his Intercessory Prayers Ephesians 1:15-19; 3:14-19



Course Correction for 2021 DIGGING DEEPER INTO THE LIES ABOUT PRAYER

Let's remember the foundational premise for our prayer life: **SALVATION IS A RELATIONSHIP IN WHICH WE WALK AND TALK WITH OUR GOD.**

In light of this, lets discuss some of the lies we might be believing about prayer.

Lie #1: Prayer is primarily about asking God for temporal things I want:

> Truth: Prayer should cover all aspects of life that any relationship requires.

Let's brainstorm the different aspects of communication that a healthy relationship would have, then let's apply it to our walk with God

Lie #2: Asking God to do something is ineffective since God already has everything planned.

> Truth: Prayers offered in time and space move the hand of God in eternity.

Tony used God's control over kings and kingdoms to establish God's sovereign control of history, but then He tells us to pray for kings so that we can lead a peaceful life

Read Prov. 21:1; Dan. 2:20-21, 2:36-38; 4:30-35; 1 Timothy 2:1-6

Lie #3: The One and Done prayer is sufficient.

Truth: God calls us to sustained, persistent prayers.

Read Luke 11:5-13 and discuss what we can learn about persistent prayer.

To finish this study, let's read what Paul Emphases in his Intercessory prayers for believers. Notice also what he doesn't mention

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