

## “Lord Teach Us to Pray” (Walking with Jesus 2) Discussion Questions

1. When you hear Jesus teach us to call God “Father,” how does that shape (or challenge) your view of prayer?

*Follow-up:* What kind of “father” image do you bring into your relationship with God: encouraging, distant, demanding, gracious?

2. The disciples saw something in Jesus’ prayer life that made them ask, “Lord, teach us to pray.”

What do you think they saw? What do people see in your life—someone dependent on prayer or distracted by self-sufficiency?

3. Which line of the Lord’s Prayer feels most significant to you right now—and why? (“Father...,” “Your kingdom come...,” “Daily bread...,” “Forgive us...,” etc.)

4. Jesus invites us to be persistent in prayer—to “keep asking, keep seeking, keep knocking.” What’s something in your life right now that you need to bring to God with that kind of bold, shameless persistence?

5. Can you think of a time when your prayers weren’t answered right away—or in the way you expected—but later you saw God’s wisdom in the delay or redirection?

6. “Prayer is not a transaction but a relationship.”

How have you seen your prayer life become more about *getting something* than *being with Someone*? What could help shift that?

7. Jesus ends the teaching by saying the Father will give the Holy Spirit to those who ask. How often do you ask for more of God’s presence rather than simply His provision?

8. When it comes to prayer, which are you more prone to: avoidance, autopilot, or anxiety? What’s one step you could take this week to grow in consistent, relational prayer?

9. Think about the phrase: “Don’t try to impress God. Don’t try to fix yourself first. Just say: ‘Father...’”

What gets in the way of you approaching God this simply and honestly?

10. If your prayer life reflected the kind of relationship you *want* with Jesus, what would change? What would you *start doing*? What might you *stop doing*?