

WEEKEND RECAP DISCUSSION GUIDE



SERIES & TITLE

LOVE BEYOND...By Believing in Prayer



BIG IDEA

Prayer is the key that opens the door to the blessings of God.



ICE BREAKER

If you could ask God for anything right now and knew He'd say yes, what would you pray for?



MAIN POINTS

1. Our attitudes about prayer are often skeptical or we treat God like a vending machine.
2. The story of Peter's miraculous release from prison shows the power of earnest prayer. The early church prayed persistently for Peter and God responded by sending an angel to free him. Their prayer was specific and believing.
3. We must pray with faith, believing God hears and will respond. Our prayers shouldn't be like a shopping list of demands. The purpose of prayer is to align our hearts with God's will.
4. When the church prays in unity and faith, God works miraculously. Let's pray for the people represented by the lights on our board, expecting God to move.



DISCUSS

- What most stood out to you from the message this weekend? Why?
- How confident are you when it comes to prayer? Do you believe prayer works? Why or why not?
- If you're not confident in prayer - why do you think you struggle with it? What are the obstacles? If you are confident in prayer - how did you get to that place? What wisdom can you share with the group?
- What would happen if God really answered everything you've ever prayed for? Would that be a good thing?
- Have you ever been astonished by God? What happened?



CHALLENGE

Find time this week to do the Neighborhood Prayer Walk and Listening Prayer exercise. If you didn't get a physical copy you can find it at CentralAZ.com/prayer



SCRIPTURE

Mark 11:24 Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.

John 16:23-24 In that day you will no longer ask me anything. Very truly I tell you, my Father will give you whatever you ask in my name. Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. Ask and you will receive, and your joy will be complete.



**NEXT WEEK
SNEAK PEAK**

Join us next week as we continue looking at the Book of Acts through the LOVE BEYOND! series.

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