

Sermon Audio Input

Full Msg. Title: Let's Pray
Short Ver. Title: Prayer 02
Series Title*: Prayer
Text: 2 Thes 1:3-12
Key Words: Prayer

Message Outline

Let's Pray! *Spiritual Reformation, Chapter 2*

- I. **What Prayer Is**
- II. **Why We Should Pray**
- III. **Learning from Our Contemporaries**
- IV. **Beginning to Learn from the Apostle Paul (2 Thess 1:3-12)**
 - A. **Thankfulness for Signs of Grace**
 - B. **Confidence in the Prospect of Vindication**

Examine the Scriptures (Be Berean!)

- Philippians
- 2 Thessalonians 1:3-12

Consider & Discuss (Be Transformed!)

- In the introduction to *Spiritual Reformation* by D.A. Carson, what did he put forward as the greatest need of the church today and how does growing in our understanding of God's intention for prayer contribute towards meeting that need?
- In Chapter 1 of *Spiritual Reformation* Carson shares several of the significant things he has learned from others regarding prayer. What advice jumped out at you as clearly valuable towards growing your own prayer life?
- In Chapter 2 he discloses Paul's "framework of prayer", his thoughts that lead out his prayers. What Paul wrote in 2 Thess 1:3-12 shows his underlying "thankfulness" and his "confidence." For what is he thankful, in what is he confident; and how do these things impact his prayer life. How should they impact ours.
- **Community Group Discussion: How can we support each other towards the end of cultivating the life of prayer God intends for us both as individuals and also as the church?**

Memory & Meditation Verse

"Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the Lord by ceasing to pray for you; but I will instruct you in the good and right way." 1 Samuel 12:23

Community Life

- Nurture your prayer life through concrete steps implementing D. A. Carson's advice and applying Paul's wisdom from 2 Thes 1:3-12.

Next Sunday

Romans 13