



The Sermon on the Mount- Week 10

Matthew 6:5-8

- Are you satisfied with your prayer life? What has God worked in your heart this week as you've considered your personal relationship with Him?
- Our position in Christ informs our relationship with Christ which reveals our privilege in Christ to pray!
- Where do you try to "keep up appearances" with God? Have you ever thought through that he sees all things and wants complete honesty and transparency from you? What has happened in your life (shaping influences) that perhaps causes you to "hide" from God, even in prayer?
- Do you feel distant from God, or perhaps that he always has a low grade disappointment with you? As a believer, do you have a hard time believing that you are a privileged, adopted child of God? (John 1:12-13)
- Where have you not been intentional with your prayer life? Will you commit to a time and a place to begin this spiritual discipline of prayer? Can you share your plan with the group?
- Prayer is a yielding, a submission to God. Prayer reveals where our faith lies, either in God or in ourselves.
- In the conversation that you constantly have with yourself in your head, do you ever consciously invite God into this conversation? What is one promise this week from the Scriptures that you can meditate on and pray back to God?
- Prayer is a privilege. Where does your thinking need to be transformed to move from thinking of prayer as a duty to a privilege?
- What the Church needs today is not more machinery or better, not new organizations or more novel methods, but men whom the Holy Ghost can use—men of prayer, men mighty in prayer. EM Bounds