



Riverstone
BAPTIST CHURCH

Sermon Based Questions

Date- Sunday 9th August 2020

Series- The Lords' Prayer

Prayer & its practice

"So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. 10 For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

Luke 11:9-10

1. Reasons people don't

- To busy
- To spiritually dry
- Don't feel like it.
- Feel bitter

2. Prayer: Methods

Let God Speak first

Riffing on the Lord's Prayer

Meditation & prayer

Luthers' Method

Lectio

3. Building the habit

Prioritize and schedule

Anchor it to something you already do

Give yourself cues

Use lists

A. Examining the texts.

1. Read 2 Peter 1:1-4. Who wrote this letter and who is he writing too?
2. Read 2 Peter 1:1-4. How do these verses speak to Gods provision and its purpose? What has he provided us and for what purpose?
3. Read 2 Peter 1:5-9. According to these verses- what characteristics are required in order to live an effective and productive Christian life?
4. Read 2 Peter 1:5-9. How do these verses speak to our role in growing in Christian character development?
5. Read 2 Peter 1:10-11. What does Peter say we, “should make every effort” in and for what reason?

B. Meditation & application

6. How does this passage point toward Gods provision in our journey toward holiness?
7. How does it point toward our role in the same journey?
8. What positive incentives does this passage give us in cooperating with God’s divine power in making every effort toward sanctification?
9. Read 1 Thessalonians 3:12-13. Read these verses and in the coming week- be sure and pray for 3 Christians that you know and love that they might grow in holiness?
10. In the coming week- what would it look like for you to grow in love for others. Try and do two or three practical things to express love for others.

A Prayer: 12 May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you. 13 May he strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones.