

# MOVING FORWARD



## **Moving Forward, Pt. 4: Praying**

God wants us to pray. He wants us to present our needs and requests to him. God's desire for our prayers, however, goes far beyond simply presenting our needs and requests to him. God also has a strategic purpose for our prayers.

**Bottom Line:** Praying is essential because it is a spiritual tool God uses to achieve his purposes.

### **Discussion Questions:**

1. Describe a prayer that God has answered for you.
2. What do you find most challenging about prayer? Most rewarding?
3. **Read Acts 4:42 and Colossians 4:2.** Why do you think the early church devoted themselves to prayer?
4. **Read Ephesians 6:10-13, 18-20 and 1 Timothy 2:1-8.** What reasons are given for why the Lord's people should pray? How are those reasons relevant today?
5. What steps could you take to be more consistent and balanced in your prayers?
6. What was the most challenging idea/thought to you from the message?
7. What was the most helpful/encouraging thought or idea from the message this week? How did it help you?
8. How can the group encourage you this week?