

SMALL GROUP Q'S

A Dependent Community

August 19, 2018

Acts 2:42-47

- 1.) How often in your life do you feel needy? What circumstances tend to make you feel that way, or at what times in your life do you find yourself most likely to pray?

- 2.) When you look at your life, do you think you truly believe prayer is effective? What struggles do you have with believing that? What encourages your faith toward prayer?

- 3.) What practices or patterns have you found helpful in experiencing genuine dependence upon God?

- 4.) Will suggested we don't pray as we should because often we are not actively on the mission God has called us to but rather concerned with our own missions. Can you think of a situation where pursuing God's mission/God's glory caused you to cry out to God in prayer, aware of your need for him? Working the other direction, can you think of a time when in prayer God opened your eyes to somewhere He was calling you for the sake of his glory?

- 5.) What is your favorite verse or passage where God invites his children to pray to him? Why is it so meaningful to you?

- 6.) Will left us with the picture of a father holding a child on his chest, curled up in his arms. He said, "Our Heavenly Father doesn't enjoy our pain, our emptiness, our desperation ... But He does enjoy our leaning on Him." How does that picture encourage you toward prayer? What does it look like for you to live "in this posture" of dependence each day?



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