



HANOVERDALE CHURCH

This is the Church Series

The Church Gathers to Pray

DEVOTIONALS FOR THE WEEK OF:

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What is the most important thing that you can do for God? This week we dig deeper into the importance of a church praying.

Monday: Mark 11:15-18

Why did Jesus toss over tables in the Temple? Whose tables were they? How does that fit with your idea about who Jesus is? What were the money changers and sellers of sacrificial animals doing that was so offensive? Should the merchants and money exchangers have been in the Temple? If not, where should they have been? What does Jesus call the House of the Lord? What should be happening there that wasn't? How, if any, do we prevent people from worshipping God by our actions or attitudes? Today, ask God to knock over aunty tables in your life that are limiting you or others from praying and worshipping God.

Tuesday: 1 Timothy 2:1-2

What did Paul teach young Pastor Timothy to be doing? What is the difference to you between petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving? If petitions are for personal requests, how does that differ for intercession? When you pray, do you pray more for your own needs or for others? Is there anyone for whom we should not be praying? Why are we to pray for those who are our leaders? What happens when we pray for rather than protest against the national leaders? Do you think there are Biblical grounds for protesting? Today, let's pray specifically that God will change what needs to be changed, thwart the plans of injustice and lead our leaders to repent of sin and walk justly with God.

Wednesday: Ephesians 6:18

What does it mean to pray in the Spirit? What does the Holy Spirit do with your prayers? Why is praying in the Spirit so important? When should you pray? How can that happen? What advantage is praying making here at Church? Today, block out some prayer time on your calendar.. Call it an important appointment so no one can tell you to change it.

Thursday: 1 Timothy 2:3-10

What are characteristics of praying churches and their members? How can we grow in our prayer life? If we are to be a House of prayer, we should be characterized by prayer. Do

you struggle with this? For you, is it how to pray or taking time to pray?

How can you help our church prioritize praying? Such prayer for all is good and welcomed before God our Savior, since he wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. Can you think of anyone who needs to be at the top of your prayer list for becoming saved?

Friday: Acts 6:3-4

Why does God require us to pray, especially since he is sovereign? The early church devoted themselves to prayer, and the apostles prioritized it even over serving needy widows. Why was that so important? Is it still important to have those whose main ministry is praying and studying the Word? Why or why not? Why must prayer be a priority in the church and in our private lives? Someone has said, "Prayer is not preparation for the great work. It is the great work!" Consider whether God is calling you to such a great work.

Saturday: Ezekiel 22:30-31

Why does God need someone to 'stand in the gap' and pray for our nation and for our church? What happens to a nation who forgets or worse who ignores or worse rejects and works against God? Lack of prayer will turn hearts away from God and that will destroy a nation and a church. Why does prayer make a difference? God is always looking for people to pray within his church. What are you prioritizing more than God? How can we prioritize both corporate and individual prayer? Come on out to our focussed times of prayer at church.

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