

May 17, 2020 | A Call For Help – Week 3
Group Discussion Questions

GROUP PREP

In preparation for group, read [Luke 11:1-4](#) and [watch Emmanuel's weekend service message](#), then answer the following discussion questions.

INTRODUCTION

No one stares up at the northern lights thinking, "Wow, I'm incredible!" We are hardwired to wonder and therefore worship. The Lord's Prayer begins with an invitation to adoration: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name." Having paused to be still at the start of a prayer time, the most natural and appropriate response to God's presence is reverence.
excerpt from *How to Pray: a Simple Guide for Normal People* by Pete Greig

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Describe your prayer life this past week by sharing where, when, how, and for what you have been praying.

Read [Luke 11:1-4](#). What resonates with you about the way Jesus taught his disciples to pray?

The word for "hallowed" found in the original manuscript meant separate, different, set apart, or having a special place. What do you own that you would consider hallowed?

Author William McDonald translates this verse, "*Father, enable us to give you a unique place in which your nature and character deserve and demand.*" What is reverence, and how have you witnessed reverence in action?

2. The argument could be made that many people, including Christians, have little reverence for God. Do you agree or disagree, and why?

To grow in reverence for God, we can study God's character, review God's actions and remember God's love. Which do you feel would most help you approach God in reverence, and why?

What are some great ways to study God and review His actions?

Read [Ephesians 2:4-5](#), [Romans 8:37-39](#), and [1 John 4:9-11](#). How could we more consistently remember God's love?

ACTION STEP

3. Without reverence, we will struggle to pray. Why is reverence so important to a dynamic prayer life?

Going forward, what steps will you take to grow in your reverence of God?

Recommended Action Steps

1. **Study God.** Download the app [Lectio 365](#). This app will guide you through a daily devotion using the P.R.A.Y. method described in this series.
2. **Create a prayer list.** Download the app [Echo Prayer app](#). It helps you create a prayer list and set reminders to pray.
3. **Read a book.** Recommended reading for the series, [How To Pray: A Simple Guide For Normal People](#) by Pete Greig.

OUTREACH: GROUPS IN ACTION

To determine how your group can serve together in our community, email Breanne Schafer at bschafer@eclife.org.

FILL IN THE BLANKS BELOW FOR THIS UPCOMING WEEK'S ACTION STEPS.

My action step is _____.

This coming week, I will encourage _____ to complete their action step.

Their action step is _____.

My memory verse is _____.

This coming week, I will pray for the group's following prayer requests:

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