

WEEK TWENTY, DISCIPLE MAKING

Chapters 7-9, *Pray Like It Matters*

Prayer is us at our weakest and God at His strongest.

Prayer is stopping and God starting.

Prayer is God's way of accomplishing His will.

There is perhaps no better, deeper, and stronger way of experiencing His mighty presence and power than through praying the promises of the Word back to the God who initially gave them.

The following questions are given to aid you as you lead the discussion this week and apply the truths from Chapters 7-9. It is not imperative for you to use these questions or to cover all of them.

The theme of "Praying the Word of God" is continued in Chapter 7 of *Pray Like It Matters*. Under the section titled, "Challenge," we find the following statement, "Praying Scripture will change your prayer life. It will help you pray with more authority . . . Nothing will fortify your prayers with the power of God and channel your prayers to be within the will of God more than learning to claim and pray specific verses of Scripture." **What are some of the verses that you are either presently praying, or want to weave into your prayer life?**

Chapter 8 is entitled, "The Power of Praying Together." **Do you have someone you regularly pray with? If not, would you make that a matter of personal prayer and would you join with those in your D-group in asking God to provide someone?**

In Chapter 9, Bro. Steve emphasizes two resources that have enabled his prayer time to remain vibrant. **Questions - Have you used prayer cards and a prayer notebook to strengthen your prayer life? As someone who has, I can personally testify to their effectiveness. If you have not utilized them, please share other resources that have helped you to maintain an energetic prayer life.**

Our verse next week is 1 John 5:14-15.