

HomeGroup Discussion Guide

October 19-25, 2008

Key Idea of the Week:

Believers in Jesus Christ have the great privilege of approaching God in prayer. Many times in Scripture God invites us to make our needs known before Him, and He promises to hear and answer. Why, then, are we so slow to pause and pray in our lives? What are we missing out on?

Discussion Guide:

Pray for God to soften your hearts and speak to you as you open His Word together.

Read Luke 18:1-8.

Discuss

Notice in verse 1, Jesus seems to have anticipated that we would be tempted to give up. Have you ever given up on prayer? Why?

In your experience, does God always answer prayers promptly? Why do you think that is?

Do you think it is possible to miss out on a blessing from God because a person didn't bother to pray? What does this passage have to say about that?

According to verse 8, Jesus equates a lack of prayer with a lack of faith. Do you agree? Why or why not?

Maybe there are some needs among your group that have never been voiced or brought before God in prayer, and maybe this is the time to lift them up together! Take some time to name prayer needs. As each need is mentioned, someone volunteer to lift it up in prayer.

Pray for courage to act on what you've learned this week and for God to show you His answer to these requests!