

Praying Like Monks, Living Like Fools Chp. 3 & 4



The chapter begins with Tyler's interaction with a guy praying for slaves in India to be freed. This was a guy who had seen their suffering firsthand. Upon reflection, he didn't know if their prayer summit had made a difference.

1. Is there a prayer you have traveled with that you are still awaiting the answer? How have you wrestled with it?



Luke 11:1-4 Disciples saw and listen to Jesus praying and asked "teach how to pray"

2. What made the disciples ask this question?

- o Jesus prayed with a sense of familiarity

- o It was sincere & honest

3. What are the main components of the Lord's Prayer?

- a. Remember who God is
- b. Remember who you are
- c. Remember who we are to each other



Remember who God is

- 4. Do you call God "Father"? If yes, describe how you came to the place. If not, what is the barrier for intimacy to call Him by an endearing term?
- 5. Disciples had extreme reverence for God, probably gasped at Jesus' reference as Father
- 6. Is God knowable? Jesus made the powerful God knowable
- 7. How does Satan try to undermine our relationship with Father God? Destroy the character of God
 - a. Did God really say? This is a twist on what God said as broad & generous to narrow & restrictive
 - b. Satan purposefully removed "Lord God" to depersonalize God to Adam & Eve removing the personal connection



Remember who I am

- 8. If we forget who God is as Father, then we lose our identity as son or daughter.
- 9. Adoration is where we recover God's true identity
- 10. What is God's predisposition toward us? Generosity
- 11. Do you fully accept the Father's love?



Remember who we are to each other

- 12. When our trust in God erodes, so does our intimacy with other- Can anyone relate in your marriage? I can
- 13. What is hallowing God? What does it do? It is honor & adoring, it is for our hearts to set God on his rightful throne.
- 14. Is adoration a natural state of our heart?

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No, in fact often it is the opposite. The Bible commands us to “remember” more than to “obey”, “do”, “not do”, or “pray”.

Defiant Adoration



15. Acts 16- How did Paul & Silas display defiant adoration? When is a time you have displayed defiant adoration? What happened afterwards?

Hallowing God, especially during our trials, brings heaven to earth



Activation: Ask the Holy Spirit to illuminate the day, highlighting the moments you felt the closest & furthest from God.

Ch. 4 Confession



1. It's our wounds that God often uses to heal others, not our competencies

To get His presence, it requires what? our confession

2. How do we fix the world's problem? Start with my own confession of sin
 - Sin: any attempt to meet our deep needs by our own resources (i.e porn- seeking a legit need from illegitimate source)
 - Sin inhibits us from doing what we made do best- love- to receive loves, and to give it
3. Despite our sin, how is God's attitude toward us? Grace, love & mercy What are words He says to us? “Neither do I condemn you”

God did not lower his standard of holiness. He found a way to make us holy that isn't dependent upon our performance.

We can walk victoriously with the Holy Spirit in us. Hebrews 4:15 “For we don't have a high priest



who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.” **Empathize Greek meaning: “co-suffer”**

4. **What does that mean?**

5. **Jesus wants to run to us in our weakness- How does this hit your heart?**

6. When you confess your sin, do you see Jesus as a judge or rescuer?

David was a “man after God's own heart” because he repented and refused to hide in his sin

What should our journey with Jesus look like? An archaeological dig excavating sin in our life

Moravian village (100 yr revival):

7. What started the revival and why?

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8. What does confession look like? Ask the Holy Spirit to search you, Ps 139:23-24
Search me, god, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. And see if
there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting! The Holy Spirit
does the searching; upon discovery, we name it and ask forgiveness aloud to God.

9. What about your faith journey would you like to erase and forget, but God has used for you
to tell of his grace and glory for other to get victory?