



Praying in Troubled Times

Learning to Lean (Luke 11 & Nehemiah)

Sunday, April 5, 2020 AVBC

If prayer is something that must be _____
then prayer is something that must be _____.

-Chris Hadfield...<https://youtu.be/4uL5sqe5Uk8>

1. Since you are learning, _____ up.

-Luke 2:44-52

And I am sure that God, who began the good work within you, will continue His work until it is finally finished on that day when Christ Jesus comes back again. (Philippians 1:6) (NLT)

2. Since you are learning, keep it s_____.

-Matthew 6:9-13

3. Since you are learning, e_____.

- Write out your prayers
- ACTS- adoration, confession, thanksgiving, supplication
- 8 section sheet- 1 day/week...everyday
- Lord's prayer
- Postures- kneeling, prayer walk
- Out loud
- Imagination
- Locations
- Groups (ie. prayer meeting, care group)
- Right Now prayers

-Nehemiah 2:1-5a; 6:7-9

4. Since you are learning, s_____ where you're _____.

-Nehemiah 1:1-4

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Q1: What kinds of instruction or example did you receive as a child when it came to prayer? Are there any principles you learned as a child that are still important enough for you to continue to practice today? Are there any childhood "prayer lessons" that might need to be challenged, corrected or deleted?

Q2: Pastor David mentioned a variety of different ways you can pray. What methods of prayer have you practiced and found most helpful?

Q3: Read Matthew 6:5-15. What practical prayer principles does Jesus teach?

Q4: Answered prayer is exciting! Have you ever witnessed an event that you felt was directly connected to a prayer you had prayed? If so, explain.

Q5: Are you ready to live "dangerously"? 😊 What new method of prayer will you try this week? Tell someone about your plan and ask them to pray for you.

Q6: Read Psalm 86. What different kinds of categories could you break this psalm/prayer into? Which "category" of prayer do you relate to right now? Why?

Q7: What specific need in your life requires God's provision? What does Matthew 7:7-11 say about that?

Q8: What specific challenge in your life requires God's wisdom? What does James 1:5 say about that?

Q9: What can you do this week to help maintain your sense of humour and joyful outlook in the midst of these days that can leave us feeling down?