

DAVID'S MEN

SEEKING THE HEART OF GOD



Session 3

Leader's Package

Treasure: SEE GOD

Key: Prayer

Book: *Fresh Wind, Fresh Fire*

By: Jim Cymbala



PRAYER WORD CHALLENGE

Praying Words: pray, prays, praying, prayed, prayer, and prayers.

112 Instances of prayer words in *Fresh Wind, Fresh Fire* pages 11 through 185.

1. Page 16 / Kindle Loc. 321 - praying
2. Page 16 / Kindle Loc. 323 - prayed
3. Page 18 / Kindle Loc. 358 - prayed
4. Page 18 / Kindle Loc. 360 - prayed
5. Page 20 / Kindle Loc. 390 - pray
6. Page 22 / Kindle Loc. 416 - praying
7. Page 24 / Kindle Loc. 445 - prayed
8. Page 24 / Kindle Loc. 451 - pray
9. Page 28 / Kindle Loc. 491 - pray
10. Page 29 / Kindle Loc. 504 - pray
11. Page 29 / Kindle Loc. 507 - praying
12. Page 29 / Kindle Loc. 571 - prayed
13. Page 37 / Kindle Loc. 629 - pray
14. Page 46 / Kindle Loc. 744 - pray
15. Page 46 / Kindle Loc. 745 - prayed
16. Page 46 / Kindle Loc. 747 - praying
17. Page 51 / Kindle Loc. 813 - prayed
18. Page 52 / Kindle Loc. 830 - pray
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26. Page 54 / Kindle Loc. 855 - praying
27. Page 57 / Kindle Loc. 891 - pray
28. Page 57 / Kindle Loc. 899 - praying
29. Page 58 / Kindle Loc. 910 - pray
30. Page 60 / Kindle Loc. 944 - pray
31. Page 64 / Kindle Loc. 1005 - pray
32. Page 65 / Kindle Loc. 1027 - pray
33. Page 65 / Kindle Loc. 1033 - pray
34. Page 66 / Kindle Loc. 1038 - praying
35. Page 66 / Kindle Loc. 1039 - prayed
36. Page 67 / Kindle Loc. 1059 - praying
37. Page 67 / Kindle Loc. 1060 - praying
38. Page 67 / Kindle Loc. 1061 - praying
39. Page 67 / Kindle Loc. 1066 - praying
40. Page 73 / Kindle Loc. 1143 - praying
41. Page 74 / Kindle Loc. 1154 - prayed
42. Page 75 / Kindle Loc. 1161 - pray
43. Page 75 / Kindle Loc. 1162 - pray
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45. Page 75 / Kindle Loc. 1162 - pray
46. Page 75 / Kindle Loc. 1171 - prayed
47. Page 76 / Kindle Loc. 1179 - praying
48. Page 76 / Kindle Loc. 1180 - praying
49. Page 76 / Kindle Loc. 1185 - pray
50. Page 77 / Kindle Loc. 1196 - prayed
51. Page 80 / Kindle Loc. 1251 - pray
52. Page 80 / Kindle Loc. 1251 - pray
53. Page 81 / Kindle Loc. 1253 - pray
54. Page 81 / Kindle Loc. 1256 - pray
55. Page 83 / Kindle Loc. 1288 - pray
56. Page 83 / Kindle Loc. 1292 - pray
57. Page 83 / Kindle Loc. 1296 - praying
58. Page 84 / Kindle Loc. 1305 - pray
59. Page 84 / Kindle Loc. 1305 - pray
60. Page 84 / Kindle Loc. 1315 - prays
61. Page 85 / Kindle Loc. 1322 - praying
62. Page 86 / Kindle Loc. 1350 - pray
63. Page 88 / Kindle Loc. 1356 - praying
64. Page 88 / Kindle Loc. 1357 - Pray
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84. Page 104 / Kindle Loc. 1567 - praying
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89. Page 112 / Kindle Loc. 1670 - pray
90. Page 112 / Kindle Loc. 1672 - pray
91. Page 116 / Kindle Loc. 1731 - pray
92. Page 117 / Kindle Loc. 1754 - praying
93. Page 117 / Kindle Loc. 1757 - pray
94. Page 120 / Kindle Loc. 1801 - pray
95. Page 130 / Kindle Loc. 1935 - pray
96. Page 130 / Kindle Loc. 1936 - pray
97. Page 130 / Kindle Loc. 1938 - pray
98. Page 136 / Kindle Loc. 2031 - praying
99. Page 140 / Kindle Loc. 2081 - prayed
100. Page 141 / Kindle Loc. 2087 - praying
101. Page 142 / Kindle Loc. 2126 - pray
102. Page 146 / Kindle Loc. 2179 - pray
103. Page 151 / Kindle Loc. 2247 - pray
104. Page 151 / Kindle Loc. 2248 - pray
105. Page 152 / Kindle Loc. 2254 - pray
106. Page 162 / Kindle Loc. 2356 - pray
107. Page 177 / Kindle Loc. 2561 - praying
108. Page 177 / Kindle Loc. 2563 - praying
109. Page 178 / Kindle Loc. 2574 - pray
110. Page 179 / Kindle Loc. 2592 - pray
111. Page 180 / Kindle Loc. 2613 - praying
112. Page 186 / Kindle Loc. 2695 - pray



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Jim Cymbala didn't go to a bible college or seminary. Do you think he was qualified to pastor a church?
2. When reading the book, did you get a greater insight into the concerns that a pastor deals with on a daily basis?
3. In your experience, would you agree with the statement "God is attracted to weakness"?
4. Have you ever tried to do something you thought God wanted you to do, only later come to realize that He had been guiding you in a completely different direction?
5. How does prayer and SEEING GOD help us to better align with those things He is calling us to?
6. If a church appeals to the desires of the congregants, is it possible for that church to experience growth?
7. Do you have any concerns with "seeker sensitive" churches?
8. Do you agree with the statement "you can tell how popular Jesus is by who comes to the prayer meeting"?
9. How often do you attend prayer meetings at church?
10. If the church acts as a spiritual hospital, would you agree that the prayer meeting is the Emergency Room?
11. Have you ever been to a prayer meeting where there were many different types of prayer present? Did this seem natural to you?
12. Can prayer be a central component of the church that empowers people to get past their spiritual discomforts and preconceived notions of other people and allow them to embrace people as God does?
13. Think back to times you have prayed in the past. Do you have an example of a time when God answered a prayer you thought was impossible to resolve?
14. When God does the impossible are you more inclined to give Him the credit He deserves or rush to asking Him for the next thing?
15. How often have you seen a prayer answered and then started to rationalize how the event would have happened without God?



16. Do you ever feel convicted that you aren't spending enough time in prayer with God?
17. What are some things you can do in your prayer time to make it more effective in your life?
18. Do you agree with the author that effective prayer cannot be taught but must be born out of a feeling of need?
19. If your church is focused on prayer and you find that it is filled with people struggling with sin, do you consider that a sign of a healthy church or moral decay?
20. Do you think it is possible that the people in the American Church are spiritually asleep and that no matter how correct the teaching is the message is being ignored?
21. Have you ever felt that you were no threat to Satan and his kingdom? If so, was your prayer life where it should have been at that time?
22. Prayer is one way to be in the presence of God. Would you be concerned that someone who didn't like to pray wouldn't care to be in his presence in heaven?
23. Have you ever prayed and felt that God told you to follow a course of action that went against how you would like to handle the situation? Did you follow?
24. Have you ever been active doing something for Jesus, only to have Him reveal that you were really doing it for yourself?
25. Is it possible to serve others and love others through prayer?
26. Do you believe there is enough prayer within the church today?
27. If children were allowed to pray at school, would they spend more time praying in their classrooms than you spend in prayer at work?
28. Do you think Christians spend more time fretting over politics with each other and on social media or talking to God about their concerns?
29. Has God ever impressed it upon your heart that you should take the lead or start a ministry? Did you spend a significant amount of time in prayer about that calling?
30. Would you agree with the statement: "God will give us what we ask for as long as what we ask for is within His will. Prayer helps us to understand His will so that we know what to ask for?"
31. Have you found that an effective way to deal with temptations and attacks of Satan is to take your attention off of the situation and enter into a time of prayer?



32. If you are engaged in a powerful and effective prayer life, should you expect Satan to leave you alone or step up the attacks?
33. What were some of the influences that caused the early church to become a multicultural community?
34. Do you think that the modern church is guilty of splashing around in the shallow end of the spiritual pool by playing around with new spiritual fads and programs instead of diving deep into the simple yet powerful gospel of Christ?
35. Would you agree with the author that no church's measure of effectiveness and impact should be based on its attendance?
36. Have you ever avoided telling someone an uncomfortable truth about their life because you didn't want to hurt their feelings?
37. How did the apostles deal with balancing speaking the truth with fear over offending someone?
38. If you were at church and God began to move, would you be tempted to start watching the clock and become agitated that the service would run over?
39. How can you help to promote prayer within your personal life, family, and church?



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