

PRAYER: STUDY MATERIAL

MATERIAL FOR SMALL GROUP USE [also to be encouraged for individual study]

What does the Bible teach us about prayer as we Walk the Way? Invite the group to read an entire Bible passage and then reflect on what it is saying. In its study, take a small part of the passage at a time, for example, just one verse or even a portion of a verse. Encourage people to 'be surprised' that in passages with which they might be familiar, through looking at just a small portion at a time, new insight might be revealed. Hear what everyone is contributing and be thankful for the variety. At the end of the session pray that the group members will take with them those things which have been helpful and leave with God anything which has not been so.

Hannah's prayer of praise 1 Samuel 2:1-10

How Nehemiah used prayer Study these verses and the verses around them: Nehemiah 1:1-11; Nehemiah 2:4; Nehemiah 4:4,5; Nehemiah 4:9

Daniel's disciplined prayer life Daniel 6

What do some of the psalms say to us about prayer? Many are the psalms on which we can focus, for example, Psalm 3; Psalm 4; Psalm 10; Psalm 55; Psalm 62; Psalm 77; Psalm 122.

Jesus' teaching on prayer Luke 11:1-13

Jesus' prayer John 17

A model for us Acts 4:23-31

What hinders prayer 1 Timothy 2:8

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