

## **8 Habits of Disciple Making Homes Practice Prayer-Building**

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**INTRODUCTION:** Dear Jesus. Amen.

Luke 11:1 (All verses are from the New International Version 1984)

***One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples."***

### **Practice Prayer-Building**

- 1. Prayer becomes powerful when you make prayer a priority.**
  - Luke 11:2-4 <sup>2</sup> ***He said to them, "When you pray, say: 'Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come. <sup>3</sup> Give us each day our daily bread. <sup>4</sup> Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who sins against us. And lead us not into temptation."***
  - Luke 11:11-13 <sup>11</sup> ***Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? <sup>12</sup> Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? <sup>13</sup> If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!***
- 2. Prayer becomes powerful when you pray with "so that" divine purpose.**

- 2 Kings 19:15-19 <sup>15</sup> **And Hezekiah prayed to the LORD: "O LORD, God of Israel, enthroned between the cherubim, you alone are God over all the kingdoms of the earth. You have made heaven and earth. <sup>16</sup> Give ear, O LORD, and hear; open your eyes, O LORD, and see; listen to the words Sennacherib has sent to insult the living God. <sup>17</sup> It is true, O LORD, that the Assyrian kings have laid waste these nations and their lands. <sup>18</sup> They have thrown their gods into the fire and destroyed them, for they were not gods but only wood and stone, fashioned by men's hands. <sup>19</sup> Now, O LORD our God, deliver us from his hand, so that all kingdoms on earth may know that you alone, O LORD, are God."**
  - Ephesians 3:16-19 <sup>16</sup> **I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, <sup>17</sup> so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, <sup>18</sup> may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, <sup>19</sup> and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.**
3. Prayer becomes powerful when you pray with persistent faith.
- Luke 11:9-11 <sup>9</sup> **"So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. <sup>10</sup> For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened."**
  - Ephesians 3:20-21 <sup>20</sup> **Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, <sup>21</sup> to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.**

**CONCLUSION:** You learn to pray (and teach others to pray) by...