

Take a little time to review this week's sermon. Using your sermon notes and your Bible, answer the following questions before the group meeting. Write out your answers so you'll feel more comfortable sharing them with the group. Have a great time!

I. Getting to Know You

How did you experience God working in your life this week? How can we pray for you?

II. Digging Deeper

1. Of the six occasions for prayer mentioned in the sermon, which one is most common for you? What does that reveal about your spiritual life?
2. Do you agree that consistent prayer for leaders demonstrates ownership of a ministry (Acts 6:6; 13:1-3)? Why or why not?
3. Review the account of Cornelius in Acts 10:1-9, 30-33 and discuss the role prayer played in this evangelistic encounter. What lessons can we learn?

4. Sometimes regular prayer (Acts 2:42) can become just an empty ritual. Suggest 3 or 4 steps we can take to keep our prayer time(s) vibrant?

5. What do you think is the biggest hindrance to an individual and a church's prayer life? How can that be overcome?

III. Making it Personal

6. On a scale of 1-10 how important do you think prayer is to Mountain Stream as a church? Why did you give that score? How can we do better?
7. On the same scale, how important is prayer to you as an individual? Are there areas you need to improve?
8. What stood out to you most from this week's study?

IV. Prayer