



Discussion Gu'de

"ADORATION"/"PROVISION"
11/27/22

Amen 11/27/22 Prayer Is About Trusting ...GOD TO PROVIDE

The Repeats (required) They are the same, but WE change, so <u>please</u> <u>discuss</u> these with your group

- [Share the announcements (on FB thread) with your group]
- Remember, we're going to open by sharing God Moments about what He is doing in our lives, but save our prayer requests for the END of Pr'me. Go around and share your God Moments: this is our last Pr'me of the cycle, how have you seen God working, either in your life or in the life of another this fall? [Leaders: plan for a way to collect prayer requests at the end, then share them with your Pr'me]
- Is there anything that you want to share that has stood out to you so far from the current Point series?

The Reminder (required) Read this section to review the Point for everyone

- •This Week/Last Week's Point:
 - Nov 20: Prayer Is About Recognizing ...God's Greatness Nov 27: Prayer Is About Trusting ...God to Provide
- This Week/Last Week's Object Lesson:
 wanting a gift more than the giver/failing to take meds to help you
- •This Week/Last Week's Bible Passage & Focus Verse: [please look up]

Nov 20: Romans 11:33-36 (focus verse: 36) Nov 27: Philippians 4:6-7 (focus verse: 6)

The Reflection (required) <u>Discuss</u> these to go deeper, *and more personal*, into applying the Point

- Read Rom. 11:33-36. How does this grate against our modern culture?
- •Be honest: do you tend to be more thankful to God for what He has done for you OR for who He is? Why do you think you feel that way?
- •If God never did anything for you, would He still be great? Why/not?
- •Brainstorm a list of God's attributes--who He IS; not what He's done.
- •Read Matthew 6:8,11. Last Pr'me, we discussed how we can balance asking God for what we want vs. submitting to what He wants. What does Philippians 4:6-7 add to this tension?
- •In what ways do our hearts (what we feel) create anxiety in us?
- •In what ways do our minds (what we think) create anxiety in us?
- How is prayer an answer to worry/anxiety? Is it because we get what we ask for? Why or why not? How does it guard our heart & mind?
- •What is one thing that you learned about prayer from Amen?
- •Which ... Close with Amen prayer activity (at the end of each Point with the band) did you enjoy the most? Which stretched you? Why?
- •Now, at the end of Amen, how would you define or describe prayer?
- •Of the four areas we've discussed in this series (Submission, Confession, Adoration, Provision), which do you do *most* when you pray?
- •Which area do you need to improve? How will you do that?

The Reinforcement (optional)

Use these questions for further discussion during your group, or at home

- •Look up these different *Cropped* verses about "Prayers of Provision" and discuss the following questions for <u>each</u> passage, one at a time:
 - •Matthew 7:7-11 •James 4:2b-3 •Matthew 6:33
 - Psalm 37:4 Proverbs 3:5-6
- •How is each passage often Cropped to "God gives what you want"?
- •What does each passage actually mean about how God answers?
- •What is the overall theme of all 5 of these passages about prayer?