

Sermon Series: "Following Doctor's Orders"

Message Summary: The most important thing you can do for others as a matter of priority is to pray for people. Intercessory prayer should be something that requires top billing when assisting others. Having others pray for us fills in many holes that would otherwise make us vulnerable to attacks by the enemy. We'll see the importance of intercessory prayer and how it works.

Intercessory Prayer Works 1 Timothy 2:1-4

1. Priority of Prayer v.1

A. One person to standing in the Gap (Ezekiel 22:30)

2. Variety of Prayer v.1

A. Supplications, Prayers, Intercessions, Giving of Thanks

3. Objects of Prayer vv.1,2

A. All Mankind

4. Reasons for Prayer vv.3,4

- A. Prayer is Good
- B. Prayer is acceptable
- C. Prayer works

LifeGroup Questions:

BEGIN IT (5min) – Time spent in praise and opening prayer.

OPEN IT (10min) – When have you ever served as a mediator between two people?

EXPLORE IT (60min) – Read 1 Timothy 2:1-8 and review Sunday's sermon outline together with your group. Stop at each point allowing people to share their additional comments or notes taken while listening to the sermon. Now answer these questions:

1. For what authorities or leaders should we pray?
2. What sort of prayers should we make on behalf of our leaders?
3. How has this message encouraged you to spend more time in prayer?
4. What new insights does this message give you about approaching God in prayer?

APPLY IT (15min) –How has this message added to your understanding of God and your relationship? How will you apply this new understanding to your life?