

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

Bubbles Part IV

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MINISTRY PRAYER REQUESTS

Current Small Group Leaders/Small Groups: Pray that all of our Small Groups take time to follow up on all the new people trying to get into small groups.

Potential Small Group Leaders: Pray that our current leaders continue to give their ministry away and develop future leaders to reach their full potential in Jesus.

Small Group Staff: Pray that God gives us the favor and wisdom to rebuild the Small Group team. Ask Him to order our steps in every decision we make.

The Rock Body: Pray that the Rock Army grows deeper and deeper in the stewardship of their lives in Christ.

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Getting Started

This Sunday we looked at “Bubble Poppers” or hindrances to our prayer, as we continue the Bubbles prayer series. We learned that one of the fastest ways to secure answered prayers is to remove your prayer obstacles. Miles taught us four obstacles to prayers: Having a rebellious heart, Asking with selfish motives, Treating people disrespectfully and Having a lack of faith.

1. What else hinders our prayers? Explain.

Digging Deeper

2. Read Proverbs 15:29. What does it mean to be righteous?
3. Turn to Psalm 66:18. How could one “cherish sin” in their heart while still petitioning in prayer?
4. James 4:1-3 talks about the selfish passions of our hearts at war within us, such as the desire to have things we do not have or covet things that are not ours. What types of selfish passions have you struggled with?

Bringing it Home

1 John 4: 20-21 says, “If anyone says, “I love God,” and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God who he has not seen. And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.”

5. Is there anyone in your life who you know you do not love well in your heart? What is one step you can take towards loving that brother or sister this week?

Read Matt 17: 19-21.

6. What dreams or petitions have you surrendered to God in prayer, but not fully believing with faith that He will answer them?

Take a few minutes and break into prayer partners or groups of 2 or 3. If you haven't had a chance to respond to questions 5 and 6 in your large group, share your response to those questions with your prayer partner now if you feel comfortable. Once everyone has shared in the prayer group, take some time to pray for each person specifically that God would help them to love the individuals named in question 5, with all sincerity the way that He does and that He would help them in their unbelief about the dreams/desires expressed in response to question 6. Allow the Holy Spirit to guide your prayers and use this exercise simply as a guide to help you intercede for one another.

Be mindful of your prayer requests throughout the week. And ask for the strength to follow through on whatever commitments you may have established as a result of any personal convictions brought forth through this small group meeting.

Have a wonderful, blessed week!