# THE LANGUAGE OF WORSHIP IS PRAYER

#### **BIG TRUTH: THE LANGUAGE OF WORSHIP IS PRAYER**

Daniel 2:17-23; Ephesians 1:16-17; Matthew 6; Romans 11:36

#### **BIBLE VERSE: 1 THESSALONIANS 5:17**

"Pray without ceasing."

#### **BIG IDEAS**

- Prayer is like breathing for God's children.
- Prayer is intentionally choosing to align our hearts and thoughts with God.
- Prayer is the overflow of dependence upon God.

#### **BIBLE PASSAGE: NEHEMIAH 1:4-11**

#### TRANSFORM - I AM GROWING

The Transform Year is an exploration of what it means to become a "new creation" in Jesus. (2 Corinthians 5:17) In order for this to happen, we must first find our identity in Him. Many of us live in a consistent state of identity crises. We wrestle with questions like who am I, where do I belong, why do I exist? The answer to these questions is found in Jesus. Our prayer for this semester is that like the Apostle Paul we would be able to say, "I have been crucified with Christ, it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me." (Galatians 2:20).

#### **SERIES AIMS**



#### Every student should know that...

- God is worthy, He alone deserves our worship and glory .
- Our worship never stops, it only changes directions.



#### Every student should feel...

- Wonder and awe for the God who is worthy.
- Overwhelmed by God's gift of the Holy Spirit and His family to help you worship rightly.



#### Every student should strive to...

- Start using the ACTS model of daily prayer.
- Sacrificially surrender something in worship to God.
- Use the workouts with your small group as a means to point one another to worship.



#### Every student should ask God to...

- Give you a hunger for right worship.
- Give you a desire to be sacrificial in your worship.
- Give you a love for your church family.

#### FAMILY WORKOUT

Prayer is the way we worship God. This week we will consider what it means to pray without ceasing. We will pray for a total dependence on God and practice praying always about everything.



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#### Read and meditate on Nehemiah 1:4-11 this week.

- Consider how to discuss with your son or daughter what it means to totally depend upon God. How can you model praying without ceasing and a total dependence upon God for them this week? How can you lead your son or daughter to depend upon God for all things?
- Consider what it means to pray without ceasing. How can you discuss with your son or daughter what this looks like practically? How can you lead your son or daughter to establish the habit of confession and repentance?



#### Spend time praying with your son or daughter this week.

- Ask the Holy Spirit to help you lead your son or daughter to establish the habit of daily confession and repentance.
- Spend time praying with and for your son or daughter to pray without ceasing. Ask the Holy Spirit to guide you to model praying without ceasing and depending on God for all things



#### Talk with your student about their habits in prayer.

- Make a list of things and people that he or she may not pray for regularly. Talk through reasons that we may or may not pray for certain things. Discuss the reasons that we should pray for all things and how this reveals a dependence upon God.
- Create a list of Scriptures that talk about praying always. Help him or her choose one or two to memorize this week and work on memorizing the verses with them..