**HOUSE OF PRAYER
Matthew 6:5-13 (ESV)**

**1 Peter 3:12** *"For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their prayer”*

**WHY WE DON’T PRAY:**

1. **WE DON’T HAVE A PLAN**

**Mark 1:35** “*And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed.”*

**Luke 22:39 “***And he came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives, and the disciples followed him.”*

1. **WE DON’T FEEL CLOSE TO GOD**

**Hebrews 4:15-16 “***For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. 16 Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.”*

1. **WE DON’T BELIEVE THAT PRAYER ACTUALLY WORKS**

**Mark 11:24 “***Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.”*

**John 14:13-14** *“Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.”*

**John 15:7** *“If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.”*

**1 John 3:22 *“****And whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him.”*

**James 1:5** *“If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him”*

1. **WE DON’T KNOW HOW TO PRAY OR WHAT TO PRAY FOR**

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**4 PRINCIPLES FOR PRAYING LIKE JESUS:**

**Matthew 6:5-13** *5 “And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. 6 But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.*

*7 “And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. 8 Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.**9 Pray then like this:*

*“Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.**10 Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.11 Give us this day our daily bread, 12 and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. 13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.*

1. **JESUS PRAYED PRIVATELY AND PURPOSEFULLY**

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1. **JESUS PRAYED LIKE A CHILD**

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1. **JESUS ALIGNED HIS WILL WITH THE FATHER**

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1. **JESUS RELIED ON HIS FATHER FOR EVERY NEED (No prayer too small)**

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