

## "Prayer Gathering – June 2024"

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June 12, 2024

[SLIDES]

**Deut 4:7** For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is to us, whenever we call upon him?

...nearness is Not Static!! ...Different things impact our experiencing of God's Nearness (Here, it is revealed that "when we call upon him" has an impact on this "nearness" )

**Heb 4:14-16** **14** Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. **15** 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.

**Rev 8:3-4** **3** And another angel came and stood at the altar with a golden censer, and he was given much incense to offer with the prayers of all the saints on the golden altar before the throne, **4** and the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, rose before God from the hand of the angel.

**Ps 141: 1-2**

**1** O LORD, I call upon you; hasten to me!

Give ear to my voice when I call to you!

**2** Let my prayer be counted as incense before you,  
and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice!

## **“PREPARATION” to be in this “PLACE”**

(Significant “Liturgy” words/concepts)

**Matt 18:19-20** <sup>19</sup> Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. <sup>20</sup> For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them.”

...This “Gathering” Turns This Location into a “PLACE” for the Presence of God—that is different than if we had not gathered.

**Acts 4:31** “And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness.”

### Liturgy of a Prayer Meeting—4 F’s

... **FAITH** (Heb 11:6)(Am I coming to this time in faith believing it will make a difference?)

...**FIRE** (am I stirred, burdened and insistent vs indifferent?)

...**FOCUS** (What is the Holy Spirit focusing me on? I’m an Intercessor — an attorney coming to make my case! Prepare your case!) What noise of life do I need to set aside in order to be fully here?)

...**FEELINGS** (How will the Facts of Truth impact the Feelings I’m Experiencing Currently?)

### Targets for This Gathering

- Youth & Children
  - VBS ... Youth Camp ... Summer Settings of their lives
  - Ministry Elements that Touch Their Lives (Stations)
  - CHARTER STATEMENTS (First Draft)
- Those Sick or Under Spiritual Attack

## STATIONS

### 1. Parents & Parent Ministry

Their Calling, spirit empowerment, wisdom, relationship, influence, marital health...

### 2. Children & Children's Ministry

Charter statement purpose & priorities

### 3. Youth (teens) & Youth Ministry

Charter statement purpose & priorities

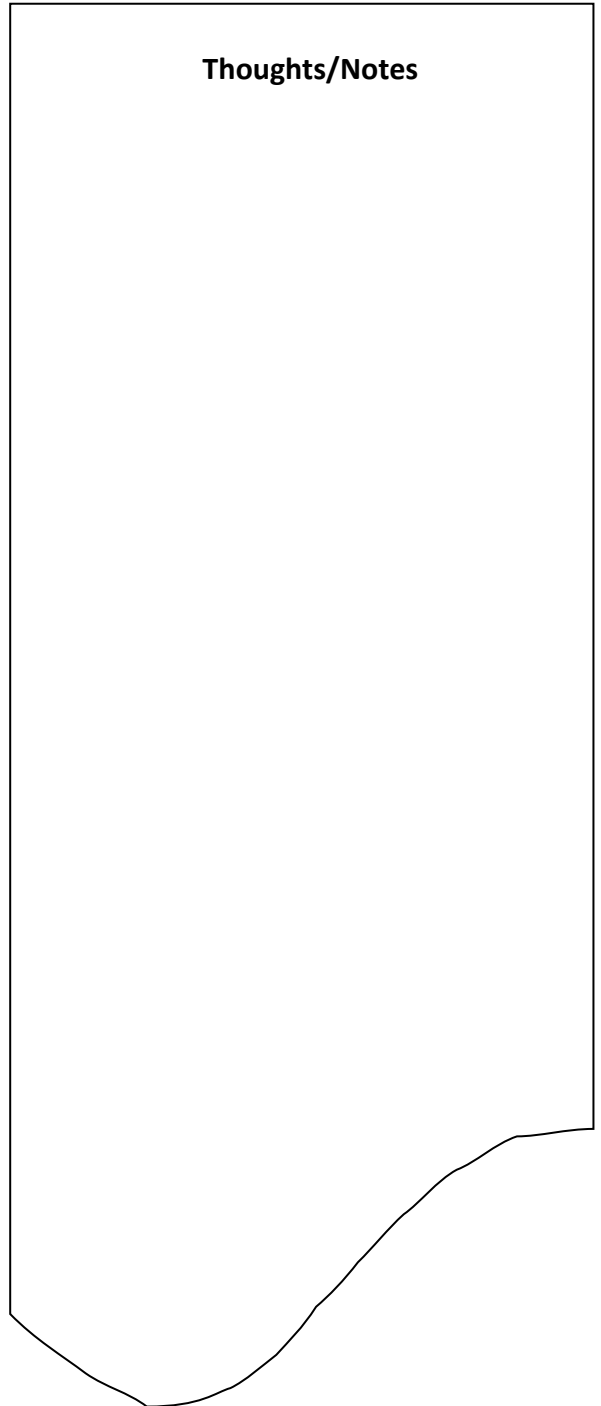
### 4. Culture (it's philosophy, it's hopes, it's values, it's darkness, it's oppression, it's influence, it's "Big 3" - the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, the pride of life)

Cultures become unsettled, shift & collapse when their ideas, beliefs, and explanations are failing and people are looking for alternatives. Are we in such a moment?

### 5. Church ...as a doctrinally defined and influential community

### 6. Those Sick or Facing Spiritual Attack

Thoughts/Notes



Format:

7:00 - 7:20 ...Opening Comments, Direction, & PREPARATION

7:20 - 7:35 ...Worship Set

7:40 - 7:55 ...Round 1 of Intercession

7:55 - 8:10 ...Round 2 of Intercession

8:10 - 8:25 ...Round 3 of Intercession

8:30 ...Final Prayer (Prayer for VBS - Kids Invited; Ministry Team; Ryan  
Close in Prayer)

...Closing Song