



PART ONE:
A CALL TO PRAYER

Connect Group Discussion Guide
Sunday, January 5, 2025



RESTORATIONLIFE
CHURCH

A CALL TO PRAYER

Luke 18:1-8; Zechariah 2:8; Matthew 11:28

ICE BREAKER

What is one thing would you like to change in the coming year?

GOING DEEPER

- 1) How does delighting in something affect our discipline in that area of our lives? In other words, what is the relationship between delight and discipline?
- 2) Why do you think so many people struggle to believe that God delights in them now, not just in a future version of themselves? Have you ever felt that way?
- 3) What evidence shows us that we are indeed loved by God now?
- 4) Pastor Dave said, “The way we get out from under sin, loneliness, and despair isn't to work hard until you're not struggling with them anymore, but to see Jesus as more lovely than those things.” What do you think he meant by that and how does that play out in real life?
- 5) Read Luke 18:1-8. What lessons does this parable teach us about prayer?
- 6) What do you think Jesus meant by losing heart and how can we avoid it?

GOD'S TRUTH TO REMEMBER

Luke 18:6–8 (ESV) - And the Lord said, “Hear what the unrighteous judge says. And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?”

FOR FURTHER READING

Too Busy Not to Pray by Bill Hybels

Intercessory Prayer by Dutch Sheets

Praying God's Word by Beth Moore

Prayer: Does It Make Any Difference? by Philip Yancey

A Hunger for God by John Piper

The Power of Prayer and Fasting by Ronnie Floyd

PRAYER REQUESTS

(List prayer requests here so you can pray for them all week long.)

SERMON NOTES