

8. What part does belief have in our prayers (Mark 11:24)?

9. Faith is necessary for answered prayers. What else is necessary (1 John 5:14-15)?

10. Why will God not answer some prayers (James 4:3)?

11. According to Psalm 84:11, 12, what has God promised to do?

### Let's Pray:

A way to identify with the people of your community in prayer is to phrase your prayers for them as if you were standing beside them as a court-appointed attorney before God's throne.

Ask yourself, "What would my neighbors pray if they could see their situation as God sees it?" Express that prayer before God. (Waymakers, Seek God for the City, 2004, p. 7).

# Sermon Notes

"Daniel's Prayer of Confession – Part 2"

Daniel 9:4-23

August 9, 2015

## Introduction:

### 1. Preparations to Pray

- a. Prompted and Informed by God's Word (9:2)
- b. Preparing to seek the Lord (9:3)

### 2. Elements of Prayer

a.

b.

c.

### 3. God's Response

#### Conclusion:

## Growth Group Homework

For the week of 8-9-15

Questions adapted from Bill Bright, *A Handbook for Christian Maturity*, Here's Life Publishers, San Bernardino, CA, 1982, pp. 165-188.

#### Getting Started:

1. On the basis of your personal experience, list four (or more) reasons you pray.

#### Digging Deeper:

2. Study Matthew 6:9-13. Paraphrase this prayer in your own words, using expressions meaningful to you.

3. Why should we praise God?

Jeremiah 32:17

1 John 4:10

Philippians 1:6

4. Read Isaiah 59:1-2 and Psalm 66:18. What will hinder fellowship with God?

5. Psalm 51 was David's prayer after he had fallen out of fellowship with God. What did David conclude that God wanted of him (Psalm 51:6, 16, 17)?

6. What should you do when and if you find your fellowship with God is broken (1 John 1:9)?

7. Why should we expect God to answer our prayers (Romans 8:32)?