

Sermon Notes

"Faith Filled and Forgiving Prayers"

Mark 11:22-25

October 4, 2026

6. Why does Jesus tie God's forgiveness of us with our forgiveness of others?

7. Whom, if anyone, do you need to forgive? What steps do you need to take to forgive that person?

8. What is one specific request that you want to commit yourself to pray for regularly this week?

9. In what ways has this passage challenged you to reexamine your faith and your prayer life?

Let's Pray:

Growth Group Homework

For the week of 10-04-2026

Questions adapted from James Galvin, ed., et al., New Testament Lesson Maker, NavPress, Colorado Springs, CO, 1992, p. 93-94; Lyman Coleman, et.al., eds., Serendipity New Testament for Groups, Serendipity House, Littleton, CO, 1986, p. 112; James Hoover, Mark: Follow Me, InterVarsity Press, Downers Grove, IL, 1999, pp. 58-60; Ted Dorman, Karen Lee-Thorp, ed., Life Change Series: Mark, NavPress, Colorado Springs, CO, 1995, pp. 110-111; Jason Meyer, Mark For You, The Good Book Company, India, 2022, p. 176.

Getting Started:

1. When have you experienced frustrations or doubts in your prayer life?

Digging Deeper:

Read Mark 11:20-25.

2. What is the relationship between prayer, faith, and a forgiving heart?
3. What concept in this story is the most difficult for you to understand? The most difficult to apply?
4. **For Further Study:** Compare Jesus' teachings on prayer and forgiveness in Mark 11:22-25 with those in Matthew 6:9-15 and Luke 11:2-4. How do John 15:7 and James 4:3 further clarify Jesus' promises of answered prayer?
5. How can holding a grudge affect the way God answers prayer (11:25)?