

## So, How is Your Prayer Life?

Scripture: Hebrew 4:14-16

14 Therefore, since 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 cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin. 16 Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

### 1. Why should we pray?

- \* God calls us to pray
- \* Jesus prayed regularly
- \* Prayer is how we talk with God
- \* Prayer gives us power over evil

### 2. Why we don't pray.

- \* Indifference – we don't care
- \* Ignorance – we don't know what to pray for
- \* Interference – Satan disrupts, deceives and cast doubt

### 3. Why God may not answer prayer.

- \* Unrepentant in our attitude
- \* Unrequested in our approach
- \* Unholy in our aim
- \* Unsympathetic in our abundance
- \* Unmanly in our actions

### 4. What we need to do about it!

- \* Be personal – start talking to Him
- \* Be Honest – remove un-confessed sin
- \* Be friends – Jesus wants to be your friend
- \* Be available – be on the unlimited talk plan
- \* Be open – talk about everything
- \* Be dependent and thankful – give thanks regardless of the outcome
- \* Be patient and faithful – NO, SLOW, GROW and GO.