

NOW WORD COVENANT CHURCH



Message: *Persistent Prayer: Don't Give Up* (03-13-22)

Use the message and the message notes and message help guide your answers and discussion for group.

Helpful Hints:

The primary goal of Small Groups has always been to help Christ Followers grow stronger in their walk by having fellowship with one another. We want each member to hear the word of God, retain it, internalize it, and most importantly apply it. One of the ways we grow as Christ Followers is to make sure we strive each day to align ourselves with the word of God. Here are some tips to help us all make sure we are continuing to strive to align ourselves with the word of God, and His instructions for His followers.

(Exodus 24:7, John 14:23, Deuteronomy 5:33)

- Before you meet watch the message again on our YouTube page (Now Word Covenant Church)
 - It is important to watch it again because there are things you miss the first time that you can get when you watch again.
- Use scripture to back up your answers during discussion. Try not to give your opinion as it pertains to the word of God. If everyone in the group gives a different answer, then it is probably opinion and not Bible.
- Try not to start your answer with "I think...". Instead ask "What does God's word say about this?" Always refer to the word of God, which is the answer to every question.
- If no one knows the answer, it is okay to say, "I don't know". Do some studying before the next meeting and be ready to share your answers.

Pre-Discussion Questions:

1. What is prayer?
2. Do you find prayer difficult? Why or why not?

Discussion Questions:

1. What did the Holy Spirit reveal to you during Sunday's message?
2. What is the primary purpose of prayer?
3. According to the message and scripture, what does prayer give Christ Followers?
4. Prayer gives us access to God who is in the celestial realm. What does this mean, and how does this make prayer important to Christ Followers? (Ephesians 6:12)
5. Why is prayer powerful? Do you believe prayer is powerful? Why or why not?
6. Why is prayer a weapon? What can prayer do that people cannot do on their own? (Ephesians 6:17, 1John 5:19, Ephesians 6:12)
7. Is the power of prayer strong in the church today? Why or why not?
8. Why does God delay prayers? (Luke 22:32) Has God ever delayed one of your prayers? Please share.
9. What is persistent prayer? What is the key to being persistent in your prayer life?
10. How do you pray and wait on God's timing? What does the Bible say about God's timing and what do you do in your personal life to stay encouraged when waiting on God's timing?