

Prayer Connection
Mark 1:21-39

Prayer was a _____ for Jesus.

3 Truths about Prayer

[1] Prayer is the _____ with God on

[2] Prayer is not just something we do. It's about

➤ Prayer doesn't require some certain decorum of

[3] Prayer is a _____

**We need to guard against anything that hinders our
prayer life.**

1 - Prayer requires that we _____

2 – Get rid of any static on the line _____

➤ **We need to be the kind of person God**

3 - We need to be _____ in our prayers.

Small Group:

Are there any ruts that you get stuck in when you pray?
What are they?

Why is it that we sometimes go for extended periods of time
without really spending healthy time in prayer? What is the
result?

Describe the current condition of your prayer life in one
word.

If you have had an answer to prayer recently, share it with
your group. How has your faith been affected as a result?

If we are honest about it, we all encounter times when we
are not quite right with God and His will. How does it affect
your prayers when this is true? What has helped you to get
back on track in the past?

One of the things that can hold back our prayers is the idea that our
prayers need to be polished and articulate. Read 1 Kings 18:16-
39. How does Elijah's prayer compare to the prayers of the prophets
of Baal. What, if anything, does it show us about the kind of prayer
God answers?

What does persistent prayer look like in your life?

Ask yourself this question (and don't let yourself off easy on your
answer): Does my prayer life reflect my genuine love for God and His
Lordship in my life? Why or why not?

What one step can you take this week to have a deeper
more consistent or more meaningful prayer life?

How can the group pray for one another?