



**Prayer that Works**  
**Week 4 - Praying the Scriptures**

MONDAY

Reading the Bible must be done prayerfully.

1. It's possible to read the Bible and miss what God is actually saying. Look how differently people heard things in *John 12:28-29*

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2. Some claim that if God speaks, He will do it audibly. How does Exodus 33:11 NOT support this idea?

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3. What do the Scriptures say is required for people to "hear" what God is saying? Read *Matt 11:15 and Revelation 2:7*.

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TUESDAY

In John 5:39 Jesus teaches His reluctant audience that Just because they know what the Scriptures say does not mean that they could recognize God's voice.

1. What did Christ have to do for His followers in order for them to understand the Scriptures according to *Luke 24:25*?

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2. What is the prayer of the Psalmist in *Psalms 119:18* and how can we adapt this prayer for us today?

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3. If you are struggling to read God's Word daily, write a prayer here asking God to give you joy in His word, prayerfully ask God to give you "eyes" to see what His Word says and "ears" to hear what His voice says, and a mind to understand it.

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### WEDNESDAY

1. Read *Psalms 42-45*. Is there anything in these Psalms you can relate to and pray?

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2. Glance at *Ephesians*. Do you see what Paul is praying for them? Can you pray anything here for our church?

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3. Can you think of a Bible passage the either has, or could, inspire a personal prayer from you?

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4. What could you pray after reading *Philippians 2:13-14*?

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### THURSDAY

1. Read *Psalms 40:8 and Psalm 143:10*. How might these shape the way you pray?

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2. What did Christ want His followers to especially know about prayer based on His comments in *Luke 18:1*?

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### FRIDAY

1. According to *Ephesians 3:20* How is God able to answer our prayers? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. How should knowledge of *Matthew 19:26* shape the way we pray?

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3. Read *John 15:7* What should be the relationship between our commitment to Scripture AND prayer? \_\_\_\_\_

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