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SMALL GROUP LESSON PLAN

Teaching The Bible Through Practical Biblical Teaching

- Greeting/Opening Prayer/Food & Friendship
- Icebreaker ~ If you could take a trip anywhere in the world right now, where would you go and why?
- Testimonies/Good news/What are you thankful for?
- WOF's Purpose:
 - 1) We teach and educate exercising believer's rights through practical application
 - 2) We are a holistic church- development of spirit, soul, and body
 - 3) We are a mission's church serving both domestic and international
- Short review of what was preached at service on Sunday
- Facilitation of Lesson

PRAYING AT A HIGHER ALTITUDE (LEVEL)

Passenger airplanes cruise at altitudes of 30,000 feet and higher because the plane can fly faster and uses less fuel (fuel efficiency). Additionally, there is less wind resistance, more power, and less effort used by the aircraft; avoiding some turbulence, and allowing for a more comfortable trip. Similarly, when we learn to *Pray at a higher ALTITUDE (LEVEL)*, we too are able "<u>rise above</u>" normal altitudes...petitioning God for more than ourselves, but also for our enemies, for those who persecute us, those who offend us, as well as praying for those in authority (regardless of their political beliefs) *Praying at a higher altitude level* means we offer our prayers to God with the heart of God's love for the world; giving thanks and praise to God because we know that He hears, and will answer our prayers according to His Word (not according to how we feel or think).

Read: Matthew 5:43-44, Mark 11:25 God's call to us is to love one another and to, pray one for another. Praying on a higher altitude is not only <u>forgiving</u> those who've hurt, offended or abused you, but also <u>praying</u> for them.

- 1. Identify challenges that have kept you from praying for those who have hurt, offended or abused you (i.e. coworker, neighbor, spouse, Christian brother/sister.).
- 2. Discuss how you've overcome these challenges.

Read: 1 John 5:14-15, Mark 11:23-24 Praying at a higher altitude level is having confidence to believe that God will hear and answer our prayers. .

- **3.** Share a time when <u>you prayed</u> <u>and received an answer</u> for a person or a situation that seemed impossible to change/happen.
- 4. What was one of the most important things you learned from the experience?

Read: James 5:14-16 AMP, Philippians 4:6-7 AMP, We need to understand the power, authority, and position we can have in the lives of others and in our own lives when we yield ourselves to pray at a higher altitude level.

- 5. What can you do to combat "weariness" (being tired, especially in having run out of strength, patience, or endurance) so that it doesn't affect/hinder your prayer life?
- 6. How can other believers help us when we feel hopeless and unable to achieve and maintain the correct "altitude levels" needed in order to receive the answers to prayer?
- Time of Prayer
- Your Circle: (Family, Friends and those you have influence with) How's it going?
- Announcements-Next WOF service and any additional announcements
- Dismissal

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Prayer focus: 1) Your Circle (friends and family) 2) Small Group members 3) Word of Faith Leadership Have you reached out to your circle today?



Attendee