

“The Generational Sin of **Prayerlessness: The Need of Togetherness**” (Part 5)

John 15:1-11

“By this **My Father is glorified**, that you **bear much fruit** and so **prove to be My disciples**.”
(John 15:8)

● **The attitude towards prayer Biblically:**

- “Be constant in prayer.” (Romans 12:12); “Pray without ceasing.” (1 Thessalonians 5:17); “Continue steadfastly in prayer.” (Colossians 4:2); “Struggling on your behalf in his prayers.” (Colossians 4:12); “We have not ceased to pray for you.” (Colossians 1:9); “Remembering you in my prayers.” (Ephesians 1:16); “We pray most earnestly night and day.” (1 Thessalonians 3:10); “Without ceasing I mention you always in my prayers.” (Romans 1:9-10); “Constantly in my prayers night and day.” (2 Timothy 1:3)

● **What Prayerlessness says:**

- No **gratefulness** towards God: “Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.” (1 Thessalonians 5:18)
- No **confession** of sin to God: “If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins.” (1 John 1:9)
- No **humility** before God: “Humble yourselves before the Lord, and He will exalt you.” (James 4:10)
- No growing in a **love** for God: “If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love.” (John 15:10)

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● **Quotes about prayer and prayerlessness:**

- “I lay it down as a simple matter of fact that no one who is careless about such things must ever expect to make much progress in sanctification. I can find no record of any eminent saint who ever neglected them (the means of grace, including prayer).” (JC Ryle)
- “Prayerfulness that compares itself to others is a worthless prayerfulness. Prayer is not a competition and is not for our exaltation, it is a necessary means of self-humiliation.” (John Piper)
- “So often prayer is treated as an interruption to our personal ambitions.” (Roland Hogben)
- “There is no greater expression of pride for those in Christ as prayerlessness. For it declares, ‘I can do this by my strength, according to my wisdom, and I do it for my glory, and all will be well.’” (David Mathis)

Worship: There is a Fountain — Citizens

Turn Your Eyes — Sovereign Grace Music

Lord From Sorrows Deep I Call (Psalm 42) — Matt Boswell

Closing Song: Before the Throne of God Above — Sovereign Grace Music

Service Times: Sundays: Prayer 9:45a/Church 10:30a; Tuesdays: (In-Home) Bible Study: Women 6:30p/Men 7p; Thursdays: Prayer 6:20p/Church 7p

Account Balance: \$39,903.44 April Balance: \$37,947.18	Weekly Budget: \$3,460
Total Giving: May 5	\$5,085.00
Total Giving: May 12	\$4,475.00
Total Giving: May 19	\$3,211.00
Total Giving: May 26	\$2,611.00

Announcements:

★**DONATIONS:** Throughout the month of June we are collecting monetary donations for a family within our own church body, to help with medical costs and time off of work. There is a container on the back table for your monetary donations. You can also give on Venmo, please make sure to note that it is for the June donations.

★**FELLOWSHIP LUNCH:** We are having a Fellowship Lunch NEXT Sunday, June 16th, immediately following the worship service. There is a sign-up list on the table in the entryway, please sign-up to bring something for the meal. EVERYONE is invited to stay to enjoy the food and the fellowship with us!

★**MEN'S BREAKFAST:** Men, the monthly Men's Breakfast is scheduled for Saturday, June 22nd, at 7am, at Kevin Gordon's house (448 Courtney Drive). Mark your calendars and plan to attend this great time of food and fellowship with your brothers in Christ. Please RSVP to Zach Adams (740)618-0739.

★**MEMBERS' MEETING:** We will be having a Members' Meeting on Sunday, June 30th, immediately following the worship service. If you are currently a church member, please plan on staying for this meeting. The meeting will last approximately 45 minutes and is for the purpose of proposing By-Law additions for the process of electing Elders, informing the Members of the Job Descriptions and Expectations for all paid staff, and an update on continuing our support of Heartbeats.

★**"4th of July" COOKOUT:** Mark your calendars, we are having our annual "4th of July" Cookout on Sunday, July 7th, starting at 5pm, at Andy's house (1062 National Drive SE; Hebron). Bring your own lawn chairs and bring your favorite yard/outdoor game to play!

★**PAINTBALL OUTING:** We are putting together a Paintball Outing, tentatively on Saturday, July 13th. The cost is \$39 per person for 3 hours, if we have a minimum of 20 people interested. Please let Zach Gavi know if you are interested in participating, so we can move forward in planning this event! (740)644-6314