#### PRAYING IN FIVE DIMENSIONS

40 Days of Prayer – Week 4

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1.	
	o WE SEE IT "Since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities – his eternal power and divine nature – have been clearly seen (in) what has been made, so that men are without excuse."  Romans 1:20 (NIV)
	"Can you <u>fathom the limits and bounds</u> of the greatness and power of God? The <u>sky is no limit</u> for God, but it lies beyond your reach! God knows the <u>world of the dead</u> , but you do not know it. God's greatness is <u>broader</u> than the earth, and <u>wider</u> than the sea." Job 11:7-9 (TEV)
	o WE SEE IT "The Word <u>became a human being</u> and lived among us! We <u>saw his glory</u> and he was <u>full of grace and truth!</u> " John 1:14 (NCV)
	"Jesus Christ is the same <u>yesterday and today and forever."</u> Hebrews 13:8 (NIV)
	"Grace & peace to you from Him who is, and who was, and who is to come."  Revelation 1:4 (NIV)
	o WE SEE IT "The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you don't know where the wind comes from or where it's going. That's the way it is with everyone born of the Holy Spirit." John 3:8 (GW)
	"He does <u>wonders that cannot be understood</u> ; he does so many <u>miracles</u> they cannot be counted. When he passes me, <u>I can't see him</u> ; and when he goes by me, I don't recognize him!" Job 9:10-11 (NCV)
2.	BECAUSE GOD IS MULTIDIMENSIONAL  "Where could I go to escape from you? Where could I ever get away from

"Where could I go to escape from you? Where could I ever get away from your presence? If I went up to heaven, <u>you'd be there</u>; if I lay down in the world of the dead, <u>you'd be there</u>. If I flew way beyond the east or lived in the farthest place in the west, <u>you'd be there</u> to lead me. <u>You'd be there to</u> help me. I could ask the darkness to hide me . . . but even darkness is not dark for you, and the night is as bright as the day. Darkness and light are the same to you."

Psalm 139:7-12 (TEV)

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## HOW TO PRAY IN FIVE DIMENSIONS

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	AS I PRAY
1.	"God paid a ransom to save you from the empty life He paid for you with the precious lifeblood of Christ, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God."  1 Peter 1:18-19 (NLT)  THE CROSS REMINDS ME  o How deeply God loves me o How costly evil & sin is o How completely I'm forgiven
2.	"You should not act like cowering, fearful slaves, since God's Spirit has adopted you as children into God's Family! Instead, BY HIS SPIRIT WE SIMPLY CRY OUT ABBA!  FATHER! and God's Spirit affirms that we really are his children! And since we are now God's children, we're also heirs with Christ, and will share in both his suffering and his glory!  Romans 8:15-17  GOD WANTS MY PRAYERS TO BE  o Abba! Daddy!  o Cry Out!
	o By His Spirit
3.	I LOOK
4.	I LOOK " Give yourself completely to God – every part of you – since you've been given a new life, and <u>you want to be used</u> as a tool in the hands of God, used <u>for his good purposes</u> ." Romans 6:13 (LB)
5.	I LOOK

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# WHAT WE REMEMBER IN COMMUNION "DO THIS TO REMEMBER ME!" - JESUS

## COMMUNION REMINDS US TO CHECK OUR HEARTS

"If anyone eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord in an <u>unworthy manner</u>, that person is guilty of sinning against the Body and the Blood of the Lord. This is why you <u>should examine yourself before eating</u> the bread and drinking from the cup. For if you eat the bread or drink the cup without recognizing (committing to) <u>the Body of Christ</u>, you are eating and drinking God's judgment upon yourself. That is why many of you are weak and sick and some have even died! BUT <u>IF we examine and judge ourselves</u>, we will not be judged by God." 1 Cor. 11:27-31

Memorize Psalm 139:23-23

## COMMUNION REMINDS US OF 5 TRANSFORMING TRUTHS

1"For I received from
the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, 'This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance
<u>of me</u> .'" 1 Cor. 11:23-25 (NIV)
Q: When (time, day, or situation) am I most likely to forget how much my Heavenly Father loves me?
Q: What sin(s) do I habitually fall for when I forget God's love for me?
2 "I hear that there are
<u>divisions</u> among you when you <u>MEET AS A CHURCH</u> ! (so)When you <u>COME</u> <u>TOGETHER</u> , it is NOT the Lord's Supper you eat, for as you eat it, each of you <u>goes ahead</u>
without waiting for anybody else! One member goes hungry among you while another gets drunk!" 1 Cor. 11:18,20-21

Q: What issue (or issues) have I made more important than being in harmony and unity with my brothers & sisters in God's Family?

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Q: Would God be pleased with where my first loyalty has been?
"So, dear brothers and sisters, when you gather for the Lord's Supper <u>wait for</u> <u>each other.</u> " 1 Cor. 11:33 (NLT)
Q: Can I give any example of where I've put the needs of my brothers & sisters in my church family ahead of my own needs?
Q: Do I know anyone in our church in need?
Jesus: "Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood <u>live in me, and I LIVE IN THEM</u> . The Living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father. So, whoever eats me <u>will live because of me</u> ."  John 6:56-57 (NCV)
Q: What happens when I forget this fact?
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the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you cannot have <u>eternal life</u> within you. BUT those who eat my flesh and drink my blood <u>HAVE eternal life</u> , and I will raise then
at the last day."  John 6:53-54 (NLT)
Q: Am I using my time and money as if all that matters is this life? Am I investing anything in the next life where I will spend eternity? What would change if I kept reminding myself to ask, "How long will this last?"
5 "For every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are <u>announcing</u> the Lord's death <u>until he comes</u>
again!" 1 Cor. 11:26 (NLT)