

# PULPIT CURRICULUM

## Transforming Prayer

Acts 4:23-31— Acts: Jesus Builds

### Big Idea / Outline

There is transforming power when we follow Jesus' model for prayer. The disciples prayed this way in Acts 4. They sought God's face (1. *Reverence* vv24-26, 2. *Response* vv27-28) before they sought his hands (3. *Requests* v29, and 4. *Readiness* v30). A big God leads to big requests.

### Seeking the lost to come home

- Who?
- Prayer
- +1 Stories

"I am sending you." Jn 20:21



## REVIEW THE TEXT

Read the text and review the Big Idea. What makes prayer hard? Including prayer with others?

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Reverence in prayer is worshipping God for who he is and what he is like ("Our Father who is in heaven, hallowed by your name"). How do we build our knowledge about God?

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What is something about God that amazes you and leads you to worship him more? *Respond* to that truth in writing with a short prayer below.

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## ASSESS YOUR LIFE

Do your prayers normally follow the pattern Jesus gave us? How could you grow? \_\_\_\_\_

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## APPLY THE TRUTH

The disciples in Acts 4 revered God's sovereignty and lordship over their circumstance in their prayer. Spend some time revering this particular truth about God this week. How does that truth impact your prayer requests? How does that truth impact your readiness for action?

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## COMMIT THIS WEEK

What concrete and practical step can you take right away to grow in this area? \_\_\_\_\_

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