

# COMMUNITY GROUP GUIDE

TALKING WITH GOD - 4/14/2024

## COMMUNION

- At some point during your gathering, take communion together.
- Share a Scripture that reminds you we are still waiting for Jesus to return
- Or use Matthew 26:29
- spend a moment in silence to experience the presence of Christ

## REVIEW

- 3 broad types of prayer: Gratitude, Lament and Intercession
- "One way to measure spiritual maturity is by your level of genuine, unforced thankfulness and joy" – John Mark Comer
- Praying for the small things of life often leads to more gratitude
- One reason people find it boring is that they are not actually praying, they are performing
- Lament is learning to complain to God. Yet Lament is different in that complaining is an accusation against God's character whereas lament is an appeal to God's character.
- Go bold or go home. Jesus tells a parable that seems to say God actually likes big, bold prayers; what Jesus called shameless audacity

## DISCUSSION

Read Luke 11:5–13

1. What stuck out to you from this teaching?
2. Of the three categories of prayer, which do you find easiest and hardest?
3. Where did you experience God's presence?
4. Do you have any examples of answered prayer? How about unanswered prayer?

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

**Book:** *Praying Like Monks, Living Like Fools: An Invitation to the Wonder and Mystery of Prayer*  
by Tyler Staton

**QUESTIONS?** [Submit a question here](#) or email weston@rolcf.net