

TEACH US TO PRAY

Week 2 Discussion Questions

Mary's Magnificat

Text: Luke 1:46-55

Icebreaker:

What was your experience in prayer this past week?

Did you pray through the Lord's Prayer?

What did you notice about your prayer life this week?

Read this week's passage (Luke 1:46-55).

What stands out from the text or sermon?

What words, phrases, or themes stand out to you most? Why?

Who is Mary and what do you know about her from the Bible? What is the context of her prayer?

Mary's prayer/song is full of Old Testament references. What does her prayer/song reveal to us about her relationship with God?

What are the types of things you pray for most often? What does this reveal about your relationship with God?

List together the various types of prayer found in the Bible and share which of these is most natural in your own prayer life.

Mary's world has just been turned upside-down by God. Her plans were interrupted and she's facing a situation truly unknown to anyone before or after her. How does she respond?

When have your plans been abruptly interrupted by God's plan and how did you respond?

What role does praise play in your prayer life and what is one way you could make it a bigger part of your relationship with God?

Application:

If you were to write your own "Magnificat" today based on your experience of God's faithfulness, what "great things" would you thank Him for?

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