

### **Guiding Scripture**

“The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.” – John 10:10

### **THE DISCIPLINE OF PRAYER (Continued)**

#### **The Foothills of Prayer**

We should never make prayer too \_\_\_\_\_.

Once we understand what prayer is all about, we are prone to make it complicated because it causes people to be dependent upon us to learn how to do it.

We are to come to Jesus as children come to a father. \_\_\_\_\_,  
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communication of children with their father.

Jesus teaches us to pray for **daily bread**. Matthew 6:11, “Give us this day our daily bread.”

Children ask for what they need in the moment with great confidence that it will be provided for them and they don’t go stashing today’s food for tomorrow because they are confident that it will be available for them tomorrow as well.

Children teach us the value of imagination. \_\_\_\_\_ often opens the door to faith.

Those around you should be impacted and changed by YOUR prayers especially your family.

#### **Praying Against Evil**

We must learn to pray against evil!

1 Peter 5:8 KJV, “Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:”

1 Peter 5:8 MSG, “Keep a cool head. Stay alert. The Devil is poised to pounce, and would like nothing better than to catch you napping.”

When we are in prayer we fight against principalities and powers.

Do not wait until you FEEL like praying! Prayer is like any other work; we may not feel like working but once we have been at it for a bit, we begin to feel like working.

Our request should be, "I want a life of greater, deeper, truer prayer."