

Teach Us to Pray

Session 5 Leader's Guide

This session starts with a review of what's been covered so far. Then we'll learn to help other people grow in prayer and overcome common barriers.

You'll pause the video to discuss how you would respond to these scenarios:

Scenario 1

Your friend calls to tell you he just surrendered his life to Jesus. You had been praying for him, and you're both excited about this spiritual breakthrough. He didn't grow up in church and wants your help taking his first steps as a new believer. Specifically, he wants to know how to talk to God.

Scenario 2

Your 17-year-old daughter has been down in the dumps lately. You ask what's wrong and she says she's been praying, but God doesn't seem to be listening. She hasn't seen the answer to prayer she was hoping for and doesn't think prayer works.

Scenario 3

A coworker and her husband have a big decision to make about whether to move for a job. She knows you're a person of faith and asks how to know God's voice and His leading.

Scenario 4

You're at a family gathering and your aunt who is also a believer asks you to pray for her sprained ankle to be healed.

As the facilitator, you might want to jot down some ways you would address these prior to the session to get the conversation started. Be prepared to incorporate some of what you learned back in Session 1.

Wrapping up the session

If time allows, choose one scenario to practice in pairs. Each person should take turns being the one who's teaching and the one receiving. Take 5-10 minutes for each person. Then come back together as a whole group to share how it went.