

BOLD Prayers

INCREASINGLY BOLD PRAYERS

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Texts: John 20:19-31

Focus: Don't focus on how big your prayer is but how big God is.

I. Bold _____ comes from bold
_____.

II. God gives _____ people
_____ boldness

III. What you _____ for reflects what you
_____ about God

IV. How to increase your boldness

A. Pray _____

B. _____

C. Pray for _____

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(week 1) "Increasingly Bold Prayers"
Small Group Discussion Questions

SMALL TALK

1. Have you ever had to persevere through a long and difficult project or problem? What people, or elements helped you to persevere?

VIEWPOINT

2. How does what you pray and why you pray say a lot about you? Can you give some hypothetical examples to illustrate this principle?
3. **READ Acts 4:21-31.** What do these prayers say about these disciples?
4. **READ Hebrews 10:19-25.** What is it that gives people in the New Covenant a boldness to draw near to God?

GETTING PERSONAL

5. How has your prayer life been going REALLY? Do you pray boldly and specifically, or vaguely and generically? What can you do to pray increasingly bold prayers?
6. Are your prayers more about "the kingdom of me" type prayers or more like the "your kingdom come, your will be done" type Jesus taught us to pray (Matthew 6:10)?
7. Do you have an "answer to prayer" story that encouraged you?

MAKING PROGRESS

8. Who you become is largely determined by how you pray or don't pray. Ultimately the transcript of your prayers becomes the script of your life. So, what BOLD prayers are you going to enter into your script?