



High Meadow Ranch Men's Bible Study

Pray as They Prayed Series (January through May 2026)

Lesson #7: Chapters 19 through 21

Main Idea

I expect every Believer desires to have a deeper prayer life, regardless of how long we have been following Jesus. *Pray as They Prayed: A Guide to the Bible's Greatest Prayers* by Dr. Jeff Wells invites readers to deepen their prayer life by walking through some of Scripture's most powerful prayers. Jeff explores key prayers from both the Old and New Testaments, unpacking their context, heart, and relevance for today. By studying these Biblical conversations with God from those who have gone before us, this book offers encouragement, practical insights, and renewed passion for authentic prayer. My prayer for our HMR Men's Bible Study is that we develop a passion for persistent prayer, the kind that will change the lives of men and families in our neighborhood. The men of High Meadow Ranch need Jesus and our prayers will make the difference!

Provided below is a preliminary schedule for this series. Numbers in parentheses are chapters in the book.

Tues., January 6 th (1-3)	Tues., February 17 th (10-12)	Tues., April 7 th (19-21)	Tues., May 19 th (29-32)
Tues., January 13 th (4-6)	Tues., March 3 rd (13-15)	Tues., April 21 st (22-24)	
Tues., February 3 rd (7-9)	Tues., March 17 th (16-18)	Tues., May 5 th (25-28)	

Questions for Consideration

Chapter 19 – Never Give Up

1. Read Luke 18:1-8.
 - a. How are you impacted by the prayer of the widow in this story from Jesus?
 - b. Do you get frustrated when you feel the Lord is “slow in responding?” Consider the text in Luke 18:1 in developing your answer.
2. Most men like Winston Churchill and stories about his life. Read the story about his speech to the boys on Page 108. Discuss a time in your life when “perseverance in prayer” paid off?

Chapter 20 – House of Prayer

3. Luke 21 tells the story about Jesus' anger towards the money lenders in the Temple. Because they were not treating it as a “House of Prayer.” What makes you angry and can that anger be used as “fuel” to motivate you to prayer harder for God's impact on the world?



4. On Pages 111-112 we read the story about Jim Cymbala and how his church in Brooklyn placed a major priority on prayer as told in his widely-read book, *Fresh Wind, Fresh Fire* (which is a wonderful book!). Why in most of our churches are we not placing a greater emphasis on prayer and what can we do about it?

Chapter 21 – The Greater Work

5. As you know, the book of Acts tells the story of the early church. Prayer was very important to them. Read the quote below on Page 116 from Oswald Chambers. What does he mean by this quote?

Prayer does not fit us for the greater work, prayer is the greater work.

6. Provided on Pages 117-118 are some very powerful phrases and question. Fill in the blanks and answer the questions below.

Fill-in-the-blanks

- Prayer propels the _____ forward around the world.
- Prayer is where the _____ is.
- Prayer _____ omnipotence.
- Prayer _____ history.
- Prayer is the _____ period
- Prayer is the greatest _____ of mortal man.

Questions

- a. Do you spend unhurried time alone with the Lord each day in prayer?
- b. Do you see this time alone with God as the priority of your day and as the *privilege* of your life?
- c. Do you wrestle in intercession for other people? Are there times when you *agonize* in prayer?
- d. In your heart of hearts, do you see prayer as a preliminary activity before the real work? Or do you see prayer as the real work? The greater work?
- e. Do you pray at times that God would pour out a spirit of prayer in your church?

