Series: Getting Better Message: Real Praye

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PRAYER REQUIRES US TO BE HONEST. Matthew 26:36-44

PRAYER REQUIRES US TO BE **OBEDIENT**.

PRAYER REQUIRES US TO MOVE.

NEXT STEPS

Use these study questions to turn a message into a conversation.

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

Have you ever prayed?

If so, how do you pray? What do you pray for?

What are some situations you've prayed for that didn't end the way you'd hoped?

Does God answer prayer?

Do you think sometimes he says no?

Digging Deeper

Read Matthew 26:36-44

Are there things in your life right now that you wish were different? Stuff you're dealing with? Situations you're going through?

Here we see Jesus being open with God. He is being honest and requesting that God provide another way. But Jesus also recognizes that

God is at work and is not ignoring his pleas but rather doing what is right. Jesus may not want to be brutally executed but he does want to do the will of God.

Are you up for whatever God has in mind?

Do you feel comfortable being honest with God?

Read Psalms 13

Are you angry with God about something that's happened in your life?

Do you tell friends and family what you're feeling but not God? Why or why not?

Read James 5:15-16

Is there a role God is calling you to play in a situation you're struggling with right now? Have you expected God or someone else to take on that role?

When you pray know that you have the opportunity to come along side God to help answer not only your prayer but the prayers of your brothers and sisters.