Life in the Word

Cornerstone Sermon-based Life Group Lesson

Sermon Series: **Church 101**

Sermon Title: **The Priority of Prayer in the Church**

Scripture Passage: **1 Timothy 2:1-8**

Getting Started

1) Read 1 Timothy 2:1-8 together. What has God been teaching you this week from this passage?

2) Pastor Jerry began his sermon with the thought, "The church is God's people on earth doing God's will in God's way for God's glory…therefore, the church should embrace God's priorities, God's purposes, and God's plans." Unpack this together. Do some self-examination and then look to the church, what are we doing right? What needs improvement? How can we be better image bearers? (if you are interested in a good read, Dr. Carmen Joy Imes's book *Bearing God's Name, Why Sinai Still Matters* gives good perspective on what it means to be an image bearer).

3) Prayer is such an integral part of the Christian life. How is your prayer walk? In what ways can you be more intentional about prayer? (Check your calendars!! We will be having a prayer conference Friday May 27 6-9pm and Saturday May 28 8am-1pm – food is provided. Pastor David and Dr. Ken Berding will be speaking! This might be a fun event to go together as a Life Group!)

4) What is the difference between supplications and prayers when praying? Why are they both important? What does 1 Timothy 2 have to say about the reasoning behind prayers?

5) Are there limits to who can be prayed for or who should be doing the praying? How are we to go about this?

6) Pray for each other, for the Church, for the leaders, for our country and for our brothers and sisters around the world.