

New Hope Small Group and Family Worship 7/28/24

1. **Scripture reading** (Consider reading aloud): Matthew 6:9-13, Psalm 51
2. **Prayer** - I recommend taking a couple of minutes to pray. If you are with family or in a small group you may want to take turns praying out loud.
3. **Worship playlist** – Consider singing along with our YouTube worship playlist: [July 28 Worship - YouTube](#)
4. **Video message**: Watch the video message on the YouTube playlist. Here is a direct link: [The Spiritual Discipline of Prayer \(youtube.com\)](#)
5. **Final song**: Watch the last song on the playlist.
6. **Discussion questions**: If you are watching alone, please consider calling someone this week to discuss your answers. If you are not sure who to call please text me (Ben 814-880-3049) and we will help you connect with someone.
 - a. How would you describe your prayer life?
 - b. Have you ever had a meaningful experience in prayer?
 - c. What might encourage you to spend more time in prayer?
 - d. In what ways is clearing up misperceptions about prayer like braking a dam?
 - e. Do you feel like your prayers make a difference?
 - f. Have you ever tried to manipulate God through prayer? What happened? What was the result?
 - g. What does the statement, “God is not a vending machine and prayer is not a commodity” mean? How does this statement relate to prayer?
 - h. Why might someone be inclined to think of prayer like a combination safe? How does Romans 8:26 help confront this misperception?
 - i. How might the truth found in Galatians 4:6 influence a Christians prayer life?
 - j. How do you understand Jesus words in John 15:5-8?
7. **Close in prayer**

Helpful Information:

- We would love to have you **get more involved** in our faith community. If you would like to receive weekly emails about upcoming events please contact Pastor Ben at benorshannon@gmail.com and we will add you to our list.
- Another way to get more connected is by clicking the [like and subscribe](#) link below one of our videos. You will then receive notifications when new content is posted.
- In addition, you can also connect with us on **Facebook**. Search for New Hope Church State College.
- If you are interested in getting involved in a small group Bible study, please text Ben (814-880-3049).

How to give to New Hope:

Thanks for your interest in supporting the ministry of New Hope. Here are three ways to give:

- a. Write and mail a check to: New Hope Church
 PO Box 194
 State College PA 16804

- b. If you use online banking you can send a check directly to the address above.
- c. You can also give securely through PayPal or with a debit or credit card. Information and a direct link can be found on our website at: www.newhopesc.org/giving