



## Rock Bridge Small Group Discussion Guide

### **The Prayer Project - Part 2**

#### **LEADER GUIDE**

##### **SMALL GROUP LEADERS:**

Encourage your group to participate in the Prayer Project!

- Engage with the **5X5 Prayer Challenge** to spend 5 minutes each day for 5 weeks in prayer and journaling.
- Join a **Facebook Live prayer time** on Wednesdays at 7 AM or Noon.
- Sign up for **Time with God**, which will focus on prayer.
- Come to the **Day of Prayer** for at least 30 minutes on March 24<sup>th</sup> at every campus.
- Attend each week and don't miss a message!

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##### **Ice Breaker:**

\*What place(s) or situation(s) do you most hate to wait?

##### **Into the Word:**

\*At what part in the sermon did you find yourself nodding in agreement? Getting your toes stepped on? Wanting to ask a question?

##### **Read Jeremiah 17:5-9**

a) What sin(s) are mentioned or implied in this passage?

b) What promises are mentioned or implied in this passage? What are the condition(s) for these promises to be realized?

c) How does this passage reveal the true gospel?

*Teaching Point: Remember that human beings love to be self-reliant, to be the hero of the story. But we can't and we aren't capable. Therefore, we need God to be our Hero and to depend on His provision, not our own.*

d) How does this passage refute the notion that we are to "follow our heart"?

##### **Apply the Word:**

a) What area of your life are most likely to act in self-reliance? Least likely?

b) What challenges do you face when it comes to "waiting" in prayer?

*Leader Tip Examples could be business; rushing through prayer; being distracted; lack of awareness regarding sinful tendencies and thus unable to "hear" the flesh's voice*

c) How will you practically incorporate "waiting" into your prayer life?

d) Where do you most need prayer right now?

e) Who are you bringing to God most often in prayer right now?

**Prayer:**

*Complete the following sentence:*

*Lord, help me not to trust myself in \_\_\_\_\_; I will wait and watch for Your provision and Your work on my behalf. Thank you.*

**Commit to pray for our church:**

*Each person in the group please commit to praying for our church in these ways*

- *400 Baptisms - for lives to be connected to Christ.*
- *Student Disciple Now weekend - for God to draw students to Him.*
- *That we would learn to pray and depend on God more than ever.*