



## PRAYER AS A PLACE

- "Home is the place where, when you go there, they \_\_\_\_\_ to take you in."
- "You have made us for Yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in You." (Augustine)
- The restlessness we experience isn't simply because we live busy lives; it's because we are \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_.
- Matthew 11:28 (NIV) Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.
- Jesus gives us rest because he knows what we were \_\_\_\_\_ for.

## Prayer as Home

- Without realizing it, prayer can become another place where we \_\_\_\_\_ ourselves.
- The irony is that the very thing God intended to become a place of \_\_\_\_\_ slowly becomes another place of \_\_\_\_\_.
- What if prayer isn't primarily an activity? What if prayer is a \_\_\_\_\_?
- Prayer isn't where we earn God's love. It's where we learn to let \_\_\_\_\_ us.

## Abiding

- "Remain in Me, as I also remain in you." (John 15:4)

- Jesus wasn't inviting His disciples into occasional spiritual experiences. He was inviting them into a \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.
- Philippians 4:6–7 (NIV) <sup>6</sup> Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
- One of the things that happens when we meet with God in the place of prayer is that we move from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.
- After we've poured out our hearts...God begins pouring His \_\_\_\_\_ into ours.

## Learning to Linger

- Stillness isn't the \_\_\_\_\_ of prayer. Sometimes stillness is its \_\_\_\_\_ expression.
- Because prayer isn't merely \_\_\_\_\_. Prayer is \_\_\_\_\_.
- Prayer is learning to make our home in the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

## Jesus Shows the Way

- Luke 3:21 (NIV) When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened . . .
- "As He was \_\_\_\_\_ ..."
- Jesus began His ministry \_\_\_\_\_ belovedness—not \_\_\_\_\_ belovedness.
- Jesus never spent His life trying to \_\_\_\_\_ the Father's approval. He spent His life living \_\_\_\_\_ his approval.
- Prayer is where we learn to live as people who are \_\_\_\_\_ deeply loved by the Father.

## Children Coming Home

- 1 John 3:1 (NIV) See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!
- "And that is what we \_\_\_\_\_!"
- Religion says, "Become someone \_\_\_\_\_ of God's love."
- The gospel says, "\_\_\_\_\_ the love that makes you new."
- The Father delights in His children because we are \_\_\_\_\_.
- Prayer is the place where we \_\_\_\_\_ in the Father's love.