

**For Discussion:**

1. Which of the four kinds of prayer listed do you find are the most difficult to engage in?
  - Supplication - personal requests
  - Prayer – structured time to listen rather than request
  - Intercession – prayer on the behalf of others
  - Thanksgiving – praising and thanking God for His provision and faithfulness
2. Paul urges “supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings...for all people.” Who are the “all people” you are currently not praying for—but should be?
3. What kinds of people are easiest for you to pray for? Which are hardest—and why?
4. Read 1 Timothy 2. Verse 4 says God “desires all people to be saved.” How does this shape the way you view the lost—locally and globally? What responsibility does that place on your life?
5. Considering verses 8 through 10, are there people you worship alongside on Sunday mornings that you have unaddressed anger and division with? Do you sometimes show up Sunday mornings with a spirit of comparison and pride towards your brothers and sisters in Christ?
6. What does it look like in our culture to value godliness over outward appearance?
7. How can the Church apply verses 11 and 12 in a way that does not dismiss the teaching and avoids applying the teaching in harmful or inappropriate ways?