

BLESS

“Begin with Prayer”

Luke 6:12-16

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The key to sharing our faith in a way that’s natural, relational, and more effective is found in the word BLESS.

Why begin with prayer?

- The stakes are _____.

What happens when we begin with prayer?

- God readies _____ for his kingdom.

“The wonderful thing about praying is that you leave a world of not being able to do something, and enter God’s realm where everything is possible. He specializes in the impossible. Nothing is too great for His almighty power. Nothing is too small for His love.” - Corrie Ten Boom

How do I begin to pray for people far from God?

- A habit of praying for your _____.

1. Make a big _____ and pick your top 5.

FRANC (**F**riends, **R**elatives, **A**cquaintances, **N**eighbors, **C**o-workers)

2. Write down your top 5 on a card, journal, or app.

(PrayerMate, EchoPrayer)

3. Pick a _____ place to put your list.

(car, bathroom, computer keyboard)

4. Do it _____.

5. Tell your _____ that you are praying for them.

Personal Reflection & Small Group Questions

Please complete this study on your own, then bring it to your small group for discussion.

1. Looking back over your notes from this week’s sermon, what particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

2. What are some barriers to you beginning with prayer? Tell God what those are and share them with someone in your small group.

3. Write down your top 5. Will you use a card, journal, or app? Share with your small group the method you chose and the people God is leading you to pray for.
<https://bit.ly/3dQUwCg>

4. As you think about your top 5, do you see opportunities to engage in the upcoming practices of **L**isten with care, **E**at together, **S**erve with love, and **S**hare your story? Write those opportunities down and be praying about them.