

Discussion Questions

January 5, 2025

1. What was your main takeaway from Sunday's Message?
2. What do you learn about God/man from the Message?
3. Where did you first hear the phrase ALL IN?
4. In the Message, Doug stated, "A life fully surrendered to God is a life of taking the next step, no matter what the cost." What is your response to that statement?
5. Read Mathew 16:25, and the surrounding verses? How is that passage applied to your life?
6. Did you get an ALL IN sticker? They are located at the Resource Center.
7. What does your times of prayer look like? i.e. Schedule, frequency, items you pray through, model you use, etc.? Share with someone this week and inquire about their time of prayer.
8. Doug shared the first model he learned regarding elements to help shape prayer. It was the acronym ACTS. Adoration – Confession – Thanksgiving – Supplication.
9. Do you journal your prayers? Why or Why not?
10. What have you been praying for?

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Adoration

33.2 As I have said, I have found these sections distributed throughout the scriptures. The ascription of glory in these words of the one hundred third psalm: "Lord, my God, how exceeding great you are. You have put on thanksgiving and majesty, being wrapped in light as with a garment, stretching out the heaven like a curtain, covering its upper story with waters, making clouds a chariot, walking on the wings of winds, making angels of its breath and ministers of flames of fire. He sets the earth on firm foundations, unfaltering for endless ages, with the deep as a covering garment, waters standing on the mountains. They shall flee at your rebuke, they shall shrink in fear from your thundering voice" (Ps. 103:1-7). Indeed the greater part of this psalm consists of the glorification of the Father. Anyone may select for himself numerous passages and see how widely this section of glorification is distributed.

Thanksgiving

33.3 This may be cited as an example of thanksgiving. It is found in the second book of Kingdoms, and is uttered by David in astonishment at God's gift and giving thanks in these words, after the promises to David through Nathan: "Who am I, O Lord, my Lord, and what is my house, that you have loved me to such an extent? Indeed, I have shrunk very small in your sight, my Lord, yet you have spoken on behalf of your servant's house for a long time to come. This is the human law, O Lord, my Lord. And what should David go on to say to you? And now, Lord, you know your servant. You have done this on behalf of your servant, and in accordance with your heart you have done such great things, so that your servant should know that you should be magnified, O Lord my Lord" (2 Kg. 7:18-22).

Confession

33.4 An example of confession is: "Rescue me from all my transgressions" (Ps 38.9). And elsewhere: "My wounds stink from corruption because of my folly. I am troubled and bowed down to the uttermost; all day I go around downcast" (Ps. 37:6-7).

Supplication

33.5 As a petition, note the twenty-seventh Psalm: "Do not lead me away with sinners, and do not wipe me out together with workers of wickedness" (Ps. 27:3) and other similar passages.

Adoration Again

33.6 It is right that we should begin with glorifying and leave off our prayer with glorifying, hymning and giving glory to the Father of all, through Jesus Christ in the Holy Spirit, to whom be glory for ever and ever.

THE ACTS PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

Leader reads the bold, and the family reads the Italics.
(Optional: Write out things in each category. Gather content for each space.)

Items of Prayer:

Our Father.
Our Father

OPENING

Addressing God as Father is a vital starting place!

You're Great!
You're Great!

ADORATION

Adore God out loud by praising who he is.

I'm Sorry.
I'm Sorry.

CONFESSION

Confess to God what you're sorry for.

Thank you.
Thank you.

THANKSGIVING

Thank God for specific things you are thankful for.

Help me.
Help me.

SUPPLICATION

Make your requests before God.

Amen.
Amen.

CLOSING

End your prayer with excitement at what God will do!