

01 REVOLUTION



Read Chapter 1 of The Prayers of Many

Key Verses

Acts 1:14

Acts 6:4



Watch the [first video](#) before going through the handout in your small group

DISCUSS

- ▶ As a group, reflect on some examples where there has been a significant and sustained change, either in your personal life or in your church (for example: a lifestyle change you've made or a new way your church started to run small groups). Reflect on how long it took for the changes to become a normal part of life.
- ▶ In your church, what does it look like when people pray together? Discuss together how prayer could be more effective in launching, sustaining and directing church activities.

REVIEW

- Corporate prayer is intended to be the central force that drives everything we do within our church community.
- Change that impacts church culture takes time and sustained effort in one direction.

PRAY

Changing prayer culture starts with each of us, so let's get praying about what we have been discussing.

Pray for the change you want to see. Pray that you will see a revolution of prayer in your church and nation.

PRAYER TIP

The prayers of the Bible can be a very helpful template for our own prayers. The video explains more.



WATCH TIP

EXTRA

The famous British preacher C.H. Spurgeon felt very strongly about the need for more devotion to prayer in church life. Read the following quote from Spurgeon and think about how this might apply to your church.

"Say to your minister, 'Sir, we must have more prayer.' Urge the people to more prayer. Have a prayer meeting, even if you have it all to yourself; and if you are asked how many were present, you can say, 'Four'. 'Four, how so?' 'Why, there was myself, and God the Father, and God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost; and we have had a rich and real communion together'. We must have an outpouring of real devotion, or else what is to become of many of our churches?" [1]

[1] C. H. Spurgeon, 'Paul's First Prayer', 25 March 1855