

SG Discussion Questions

for Personal Study and Small Groups 11/10/13

Praying for the Church You Love

Purpose of SG: to foster in its members the biblical values of worship (God), discipleship (church), and outreach (lost).

2013 Annual Focus: Drawing Near to the Good and Mighty King.

Announcements: (1) Orphans, Adoption and The Gospel 11/10 6:30-9pm, (2) Child Dedication 11/24 and (3) See & Savor 12/6.

SG Discussion Questions:

Focus: learning to pray for the church in a way that transforms us into people who love the church and give generously to her needs.

How are you doing at praying for our church as a whole (not just for individual needs)? What can cause that to slip off the radar for us?

Read the 5 prayers of Paul in 2 Thessalonians:

- 1.3
- 1.11-12
- 2.16-17
- 3.5
- 3.16

How do you think regularly praying prayers like this for NW would impact you? How would it impact our church?

What is the main takeaway for you about praying for our church from this teaching? (Do you have any questions about how to use Paul's prayers as a guide for your own praying?)

Ask what their reaction was to the financial needs and patterns that were shared on Sunday? and to Stuart Bulman's interview?

Spend time praying for the needs of our church, especially the JOF pledges this upcoming Sunday. Share the info. below with your group to help in praying and discerning their own giving.