



PRAYER

FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 23

Communication is the context in which relationships exist.

As we continue our break from Life Groups this week, consider spending some extra time in prayer.

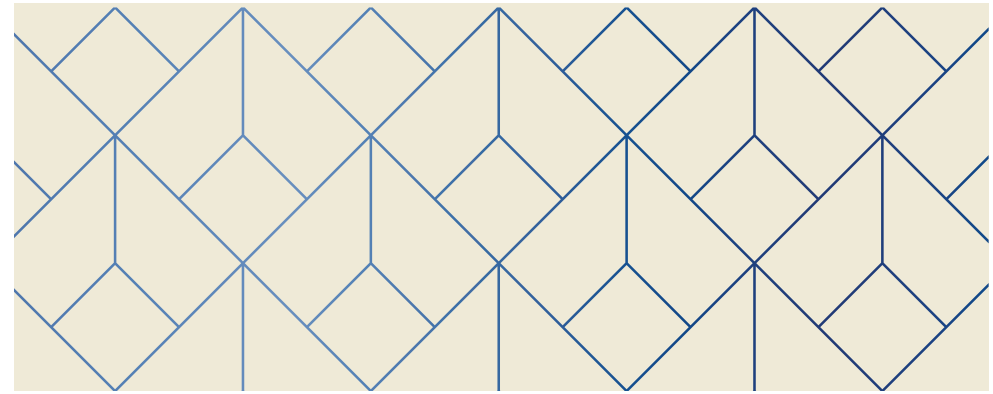
Sometimes we can get intimidated, overwhelmed, or even bored with our prayer lives. One way of enlivening and enriching your prayer life is by remembering that prayer is an act of communication within a relationship.

How can we improve our relationship with God? Because the Church is the bride of Christ, one way is to imitate a healthy marriage.

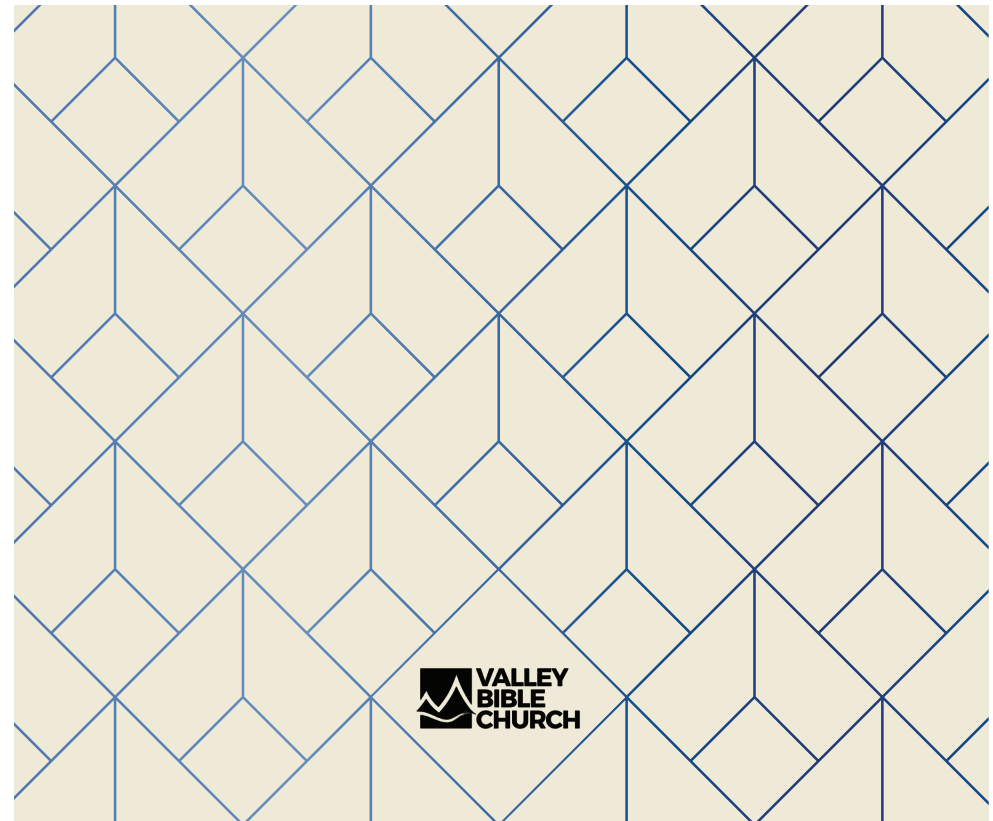
Most of a healthy marriage is necessarily and beautifully made up of everyday things. Making meals, discussing who needs to be where at what time, and reminding the other person how much you love them. But sometimes couples get dressed up, go somewhere fancy, and talk about memorable or important things. Sometimes they disagree and need to work things out. And sometimes they just put on sweat-pants and unwind.

What does that mean for your prayer life? That variety in the way you engage in relationship is a good thing. So, this week try to be purposeful about how you build your relationship with God through prayer. Maybe you just need to talk through some everyday stuff. Maybe you need to get dressed up with God and talk about special things. Maybe there is a break in the relationship that needs to be addressed. Or maybe you need to give yourself permission to relax.

However you decide to do it, do pray – communication is the context in which relationships exist.



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FACING FRENZY AT THE FEAST

John 7:25-35 / Ben Orchard / Aug 23, 2020

There is _____ and _____ about the _____ of Christ (25-28)

There are _____ to the _____ of Christ (29-32)

There is _____ to _____ to Christ (33-36)

OUR MISSION

As we proclaim biblical truth, we cultivate relationships that are intimate with Christ, active in the Church, & loving the community.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH BEHIND THE CHURCH — AUGUST 30

We are moving our annual "Church in the Park" service to our own beautiful backyard this year! On **Sunday, August 30 at 10 am**, we will have our worship service behind the VBC building. Bring your own chair, sun hat and picnic lunch to enjoy after the service. If you would like to be baptized, please contact the church office via phone or email (509-928-5161 or vbc@spokanevbc.org) or mark your interest on the back of your Connection Card along with your contact information.

WE WELCOME DAVE SUTTON TO THE VBC DEACON TEAM!

We are thankful that God brought Dave and Vickie to Valley Bible Church — they are a great addition to our fellowship. Dave joins the deacons with a ton of giftedness and experience in ministry and unbridled enthusiasm to serve the Lord and the people of Valley Bible Church. Thanks, Dave, for your obedience and willingness to answer God's call on your life!

CHURCH CUSTODIAL REQUEST

The church is in need of more disinfectant spray and wipes for routine cleanings between services and throughout the week. If you are out shopping and are able to buy a few extra bottles for us, please bring them by the church office and we will happily reimburse you. Thank you!

CONTACT CHURCH FOR NEEDS

Please communicate with us if you have financial needs or know of someone in the community who does. Because of your generosity and faithfulness in giving, we have enough financial reserves to pay our staff, pay the bills, and help those who are in need. Many have given specifically to assist anyone in financial distress. Contact Stephani Wood (stephani@spokanevbc.org) for more information.

HELP BEAUTIFY THE CHURCH GROUNDS

Do you have an abundance of perennials that are populating your property? If so, we are looking for some appealing plants to beautify the church grounds. Plants can be left at the pole barn (checked daily). Contact Mark Ingalls with questions (509-939-1633).

3-5TH GRADE OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT

For all families with kids going into 3rd-5th grade, join us for an epic outdoor family movie night watching **Abominable on Friday, August 28th @ 7:30pm**. This event is for the entire family and located at VBC. Bring a blanket for your family and set it up on the lawn in front of the screen (families 6 feet apart of course). We'll have popcorn, candy, and corn dogs to munch on throughout the movie! ***If you're new to VBC and have kids going into these grade levels, please join us and spend some time connecting with other families in the church.*** Please RSVP or contact Justyna Dokken with questions at 509-808-0581.

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GIVING REPORT

General: August \$50,459 / YTD \$ 1,092,023
Building Fund: Given \$1,091,668 / Loan Remaining Balance \$647,309