

GOD'S PRIORITIES IN PRAYER

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Week of Oct. 29, 2023

1. Thinking back on this week's sermon, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?
2. How do your prayers for friends, family, and loved ones compare in topic and quantity to those for your enemies, neighbors, and leaders?
3. Who is someone in authority for whom you have not prayed, but should? What has stopped you?
4. How would you reply to someone who said that God couldn't be either good or powerful since He desires all men to be saved (vs 4) but then saves only a minority of them (Mt 19:24)?
5. We know that there is only one way to salvation – through Christ Jesus (vs 5). Where else do you see our culture turning for salvation?
6. Given all of the religions and all of the deities in human history, how can we be sure that the God of verse 5 is the one and only God?
7. To whom was the ransom in verse 6 paid? Why was this necessary? Consider verses like Romans 3:23, Romans 6:23, and Hebrews 9:12-15.
8. Why do you think that the point in human history that Christ came was the "proper" time (vs 6)?
9. Paul found faith and truth important aspects of his ministry (vs 7). In your own evangelism and ministry context, do you find yourself to be stronger in faith or truth? Why do you think that is, and how can you grow in the other?