

Prayer – R. C. Sproul

Q&A – Week 1

Opening devotions: Eph. 6:10-19/prayer

Questions/thoughts?

1. What did we learn about Hannah's prayer?
 - She wept in anguish (heart-felt)
 - Her request was a worthy one (not frivolous or self-centered)
 - It was not audible
 - It was answered positively
2. What keeps us from praying?
 - Time
 - Don't know how
 - Lack of worthiness
 - Efficacy (Will it make a difference?) – God is sovereign
3. Prayer is a duty, but it is a blessed duty!
4. Prayer is a privilege
5. God's people (and Jesus!) throughout the Bible have prayed. God wants us to talk with Him. As His covenant people, He calls us to that fellowship. (We pray to Him in our worship - including our hymns – a covenantal dialogue!)

Closing prayer