

**Pivot: Our Work is Prayer**  
Core Group Discussion Guide  
March 18, 2018

**Message Overview:**

We have spent this series looking at the essential elements of experiencing a pivot toward God in our lives. This week's message is about our primary task as followers of Jesus, prayer. The aim for the message this week is not to induce guilt about our prayerlessness, but to inspire and equip us toward a more full and effective prayer life. We will get really practical in answering questions about prayer and how we can become more focused and effective in prayer.

**Text:**

- Preaching Text: John 14:5-14

**Questions for Discussion:**

1. What stood out to you from the message. (The reason we regularly ask this question is to invite the Holy Spirit to guide the discussion. God may have something for the whole group through a group member's comments.)
2. One of the primary points of the message was that our role is to pray in line with God's will and pray for his glory. What makes praying with this perspective so difficult?
3. Discuss your reaction to the following quote from prayer teacher Daniel Henderson: "*If you pray to seek God's face, you'll know His hand, but if you're looking for His hand, you may miss His face.*" --Daniel Henderson
4. In the message, Jeremy talked about reasons we don't feel connected to God in prayer. Which reasons resonated with you the most? Why?
5. The purpose of the message this morning was to remind us that our work, as Christians, is prayer. How does that statement affect you? How might it change your perspective of prayer?