PRAY YOUR WAY TO GROWTH A PRAYER GUIDE WEEK 3 10-29-24

<u>3 FACTS ABOUT PRAYER:</u>
<u>YOU ARE wired for prayer!</u>
Ecc 3:11
<u>MOST FEEL INADEQUATE PRAYING</u>
Rom 8:26
Luke 11:1
<u>MISPERCEPTIONS ABOUT PRAYER STEM FROM FAULTY BELIEFS:</u>

4 misperceptions:

- 1. Prayer is NOT a magic wand!
- 2. Prayer is NOT just for emergencies!
- 3. Prayer is not tug of war with God! Matt 7:7-8
- 4. Prayer is not a ritual to relieve guilt! Matt 6:7

4 FOUNDATIONS ABOUT PRAYER

1. GOD LOVES FOR YOU TO TALK WITH HIM Psalms 103:11-13 1 John 5:14-15 Heb 29:12

2. GOD LISTENS TO THE SINCERE & SIMPLE Matt 6:5-8

Heb 10:22

3. GOD <u>DEMONSTRATES</u> HIS GRACE BY <u>ANSWERING PRAYER</u> 4 possible answers: *Yes, No, Wait, & Are you kidding*!

Jer 33:3 Matt 7:11 James 4:2-3

4. GOD LONGS TO BE CLOSE TO YOU!

Is 30:18 Hos 6:6 NLT John 15:15 Psalms 25:14 James 4:8