

Remember the Deeds of the Lord

Psalm 77

*Big idea: We are called to pray in faith, so what do we do when we feel that we have little faith?
Answer: remember the deeds of the Lord.*

Connecting

Favorite ice cream flavor and ice cream topping?

Observation

Think of someone you know whom you would consider as having great faith? Why do you suppose that their faith is so strong?

Understanding

Read Psalm 77. Consider verses 1-9: Describe the various different difficulties that Asaph the Psalm-writer is having? Can you relate?

Read Matthew 21:18-22. Why is it so important to the Lord that his followers have faith as they pray?

Read John 16:24; 1 Peter 3:7; 1 John 5:14, 15; Mark 11:25. Talk through these conditions of answered prayer. Why are they important? What does each one mean? Can you think of other conditions the Scriptures give us in order to have our prayers answered?

Consider Psalm 77:10-12. What does he mean when he says, "I will appeal to this...?"

Consider Psalm 77:13-20; Romans 8:32. Where does Asaph's attention go to build up his faith? How do we have a similar faith building experience from the verse in Romans? Why should meditating on this build our faith?

How does your personal experience with God's kindness and goodness (and answered prayer!) work into this principle?

Living

How can you practically apply the truth of this Psalm as you pray?

Prayer together: What are the big things you are asking the Lord for these days? Share one or two items and pray boldly for one another.