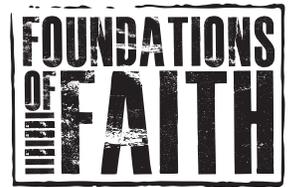


Lesson #3: Supplement



Story of Jesus Praying (Mark 1:29-39; Luke 6:12-13; Luke 11:1-11):

[This is a story about seeking God from Jesus' life. One time, Jesus went to the home of Peter, one of his followers. Peter's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever. Jesus took her hand, helped her up; the fever left and she began to serve them. That night many came to the door as Jesus healed many who had diseases. He also drove out many demons. Early the next morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went to a lonely place. He prayed there. Peter and the others went to look for him, and when they found him, they exclaimed: "Everyone is looking for you!" Jesus replied, "Let us go somewhere else--to the nearby villages--so I can preach there also. That is why I have come." Because Jesus prayed he knew he needed instead to go to the nearby villages to preach the good news. After that he continued traveling throughout the area preaching, healing, and driving out demons. Throughout Jesus' life, he continually "set apart time" to be with his Father in heaven. Just like us, Jesus depended on the Father for encouragement, direction and help in life through prayer. If you want to have a close relationship with God, you also need to set daily time just for God. This "set apart time" for seeking God is our devotional life. Another time Jesus went out to a mountainside to pray. He spent the whole night praying to God. He knew he needed to ask for God's wisdom in order to make a big decision. In the morning, after praying, he called his disciples. He chose twelve of them and called them apostles. These twelve apostles lived with Jesus and they regularly saw and heard him praying. They were so amazed that one day one of them asked Jesus, "teach us to pray." Be encouraged - Jesus taught His disciples how to pray, and He will teach you too.]