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SEARCH ME

BREAK ME

SEND ME

SPEAK TO ME

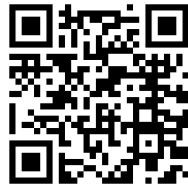
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Search Me

For the week of November 5, 2023
Series: Dangerous Prayers - Week 1

WATCH

LISTEN



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REVIEW

This week we began our new series “Dangerous Prayers”. A dangerous prayer is one that will actually produce change in our lives and in the lives of others. In the next four weeks at North Pointe we will be talking about four prayers that are dangerous because as God answers them we may get put in uncomfortable situations and be sent to uncomfortable places. But comfort rarely forces us to become the people God wants us to be. This week Pastor Trevor spoke to us about the prayer of Search Me found in Psalms 139:23-24, where we can ask God to search us to reveal our heart, reveal where our trust is, reveal our sin and help us to follow after and honour Him.

MY STORY

1. What do you think about prayer?

2. If you pray, when do you pray?

3. What do you pray about?

4. Pastor Trevor described prayer as a conversation with God with both talking and listening to him. What are your thoughts about this? Have you thought about listening to God as prayer?

5. What do you think a dangerous prayer is? Have you ever prayed a dangerous prayer?

DIGGING DEEPER

Read Psalm 139:1-16

1. Even though we can't 'get away' from God, what do we do to sometimes hold him at a distance?

2. How does it make you feel that God knows you fully and completely?

3. Read verses 17-18, what do you think about this, in light of the fact God knows you completely and nothing is hidden from him?

4. How often do you stop to consider that God has been interested in you even before you were born, and so he is intensely interested in the outcome of your life? How should knowing this same your behaviour and decisions?

5. Read Psalm 139:23-24. What stand out to you about this passage? What do you think David is asking?

6. Read 1 Thessalonians 5:17. What do you think it look like to pray without ceasing?

7. Read Philippians 4:6-7. What are your thought on this passage? What stands out to you?

TAKE IT HOME

1. Are you willing to pray that God, who knows you, wants you, made you and has a plan for you, will 'search you and know you'? And are you ready to be changed according to God's will for your life? What might this look like practically?

2. This week, evaluate your own life currently to see if there are any thoughts or actions that are offensive to the Lord.

The beauty of the Gospel is the reality that God can simultaneously know you fully and yet fully love you unconditionally because of Christ. That means a holy and perfect God knows every impure thought, every sinful action, and ulterior motive you've ever had and He still sent His perfect Son to die on the cross for your sins that you could be fully forgiven and fully loved. Because of the Gospel, we can be fully known and loved by God, no matter what. What a beautiful reality that is!

PRAYER

Break Me

For the week of November 12, 2023
Series: Dangerous Prayers - Week 2

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REVIEW

Pastor Michael Voll continued with the second week in our series Dangerous Prayers looking at the prayer Break Me, and Break My Heart. We are called to live a life of brokenness for God's purpose, actually live broken and poured out for Jesus totally dependant on Him and willing to do His will in your life. He will break you of the things that keep us from being a fully devoted follower of Jesus, and when God breaks you, you start to become more like Him. As that happens our prayer becomes "break my heart for what breaks yours" where the things that are close to Gods heart become the things close to our heart.

MY STORY

1. If God answered all your prayers, would the world be any different or would you just live more comfortably?

2. Pastor Michael said “Live a life of brokenness for God’s purpose, actually live broken and poured out for Jesus totally dependant on Jesus and willing to do His will in your life.” Do you know anyone like that? What stands out to you about them?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Read Mark 14:1-6; Luke 22:19-20; Jeremiah 8:18-21; Exodus 2:11-12; 1 Samuel 17:25-37; Nehemiah 1:3-10. Which of these stories stands out to you? Why?

2. Why do you think God would want to “break you”? (Luke 18:9-14; Isaiah 8:13)

3. What does brokenness look like? (Psalms 51:10; Romans 12:2)

4. What are some ways to renew your mind and turn away from the patterns of this world?

5. How do I allow God to break me? (James 4:10; Luke 9:23)

TAKE IT HOME

1. Pastor Michael spoke about the fact that our hearts should break over what breaks the heart of God. What rights now is breaking your heart or stirring your heart?

2. How might God want to use that brokenness to do something or to make a difference?

PRAYER

Send Me

For the week of November 19, 2023
Series: Dangerous Prayers - Week 3

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REVIEW

Pastor Trevor continued in the third week of our series Dangerous Prayers looking at the prayer “Send Me”. This prayer says I am available, I’m ready, I’m willing, speak in and through me and let me be your hands and feet. This is a dangerous prayer because when we pray it we are declaring, God not my will but yours be done.

MY STORY

1. What stood out to you about this weeks message?

2. Pastor Trever talked about three things that can prevent us from praying and living out the prayer "Send Me", Our Fears, Our Availability, and Our Excuses. Which of these three do you relate?

3. Have you ever prayed the prayer "Send Me"? What happened?

DIGGING DEEPER

Read Exodus 3:1-15, 4:1-16.

1. What were the excuses that Moses gave to God when he was sent?

PRAYER

Speak To Me

For the week of November 26, 2023
Series: Dangerous Prayers - Week 4

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REVIEW

Most of us are comfortable with the idea that we can speak to God and call out to him at any time. However, the idea that God might want to speak back to us can often get us feeling a bit uncomfortable. The fact that God might want to speak to us shouldn't really take us by surprise, we ask for guidance, blessing, or help, so why shouldn't he say something back to us? If we believe that God loves us, that he wants to lead and guide us and has good plans for our lives, it seems odd that we would think he wouldn't want to speak to us. And perhaps even more crazy, that we wouldn't take the time to listen to Him! Pastor Michael outlined that if you want to hear God's voice, you need to be ready and willing to LISTEN and OBEY.

DIGGING DEEPER

1. There are different ways that God speaks to us today:

- **His Word** (the bible) - Psalm 119:105, 2 Timothy 3:16-17
- **Prayer** - Mark 1:35, James 5:16
- **The Holy Spirit** - John 14:25-26, Romans 8:26-27, John 16:7-15
- **Other Christians** - Hebrews 10:23-25, Acts 2:41-42
- **Common Sense** - Proverbs 2:7-11, Proverbs 3:21
- **Our Circumstances** - Acts 17:26-27, Proverbs 16:9

How has He used these methods to communicate with you?

2. How do we distinguish God's voice amidst the many others?

3. Read Psalm 89:34 & 1 Thessalonians 5:19-22. Will God lead us in a direction contrary to his word?

TAKE IT HOME

God wants to speak to you but often there are barriers for us to hear Gods voice. What are some of the barriers you have experienced in hearing God speak to you? Use the notes below to help you reflect.

- **Has He has spoken to you in the past but you have chosen to stop your ears and not obey his voice?**
 - Repent. Do what God has asked you to do and then he will entrust you with more. It will open up that communication. Maybe God isn't showing you what to do in your future because you haven't done what he gave you in the past.
- **Do you have too much on your plate?**
 - Slow down. Take time to read the Bible. Before you even open it, take a line from Samuel's life, "Speak Lord your servant is listening." Put into practice Psalm 46:10, "Be still, and know that I am God"
- **Are you are not ready or willing to Obey?**
 - "God show me my sin and what needs to change in my life." (then listen).
 - "God help me to love my spouse better and connect better." (then listen for ideas, ways you can do this)
 - "God show me where I can use my gifts and abilities to serve you." (Then listen and look for the open doors of opportunity)

When things start to come to the surface, be ready to respond with a YES!!!

Pray Samuel's prayer found in 1 Samuel 3:1-10 and pray, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening." Then, listen and respond.

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