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The Bridge: Prayer as an Expression of Hope

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Matthew 6:13b (NKJV), "For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen."

Biblical Hope

1. Hope is _____ - _____ faith (Rom 12:12)
2. Hope is _____ (Rom 15:13)
3. Our struggles _____ hope (Rom 5:3-5)

Prayer is an Expression of Hope

1. Life without _____ is life without _____ (Mark 11:22-25)
2. Hope is found in the _____ of God (Ephesians 6:10, 1 Peter 2:9)
3. Praying is not _____ (Jeremiah 32:27)

"Where there is no hope in the future, there is no power in the present."

John Maxwell

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Sermon Talks

1. What caught your attention in this week's message? Was there something you had never heard before or something you had a question about?
2. The last part of Matthew 6:13 says, "For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen."
 - How can this refocus us when it comes to prayer?
3. Have you ever hoped for something so bad that it consumed your thinking?
 - If you're willing, talk about it.
 - How did it turn out?
4. How would you describe Biblical hope? Read Colossians 1:27.
 - How can our hope in the Lord cause us to be forward-focused?
 - Why is it so hard to have hope in the face of struggles?
 - What causes hopelessness in certain situations?
 - How can knowing God's truth help alleviate times of hopelessness?
5. Has this series, "The Bridge" changed your perspective on prayer at all? If so, how?
6. "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen."

Pray about it: Meditate on God's Word (Matthew 6:9-13) and this week's message.

Adoration: What can I praise God for in light of what this teaches me?

Confession: What sin can I confess because of what this teaches me?

Thanksgiving: What can I thank God for in light of what He has done?

Supplication: What do I need to ask of God in order to grow in light of this?