

# JOURNEY COMMUNITY CHURCH



*Fearless Prayer*

## LEARNING TO PRAY ... AGAIN, PART 4

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We know "Prayer Changes Things" but prayer *reveals us* as well.

*Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.*

Hebrews 4:13

### PRAYER IS

*A relationship we're not sure we want to enter.*

*A conversation we don't want to have.*

*A mirror we don't want to look into.*

### THREE "I'S" — *"I'm not", "I can't", "I won't"*

Believing things that fill us with *shame, fear* and *regret*.

*"I'm not"* can be replaced by *"I am"*.

*Now we look inside, and what we see is that anyone united with the Messiah gets a fresh start, is created **new**. The old life is gone; a **new** life burgeons! Look at it! All this comes from the God who settled the relationship between us and him.*

2 Corinthians 5:17 (The Message)

*"I can't"* can be replaced by *"I can because God does and God will."*

Unless you are unhappy, *you will never be happy.*

### WE NEED A *Holy Discontent*.

*"I won't"* can be replaced by *"OK God, I will take a step of faith again and again."*

A relationship *you want to embrace.*

A conversation *you can't wait to have.*

A mirror *you long to look into.*

And most importantly, *now you can put away your outline because the last blank has been filled in.*

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