"PATHS: Connect" Matthew 6:9-15

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WE WERE MADE TO EXPERIENCE UNBROKEN CONNECTION WITH GOD THROUGH PRAYER.

1) MADE TO CONNECT (Genesis 3:8-13, 21-24)

2) JESUS RESTORES CONNECTION

- a) Was connected (John 10:30, Mark 1:35)
- b) Showed how to connect (Matthew 6:9-15)
- c) Made the connection possible (John 14:6, 25-27)

3) MAINTAINING CONNECTION (Matthew 6:5-9; Luke 18:1-8, 11:9-13; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

Discussion Questions

- 1) What is necessary to maintain good relationships with your friends and family?
- 2) Why is it difficult to maintain good relationships?
- 3) What role does prayer play in maintaining your relationship with God?
- 4) What are some challenges people face when it comes to prayer?
- 5) How did Jesus demonstrate a good prayer life?
- 6) How did Jesus restore our connection to God through prayer (John 14:6, 25-27)?
- 7) How is prayer an act of submission to the Lordship of Jesus?
- 8) What does it mean to "pray continually" (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)?
- 9) How should we approach God in prayer, according to Matthew 6:5-8?
- 10) How does knowing God is a good judge (Luke 18:1-8) encourage you?
- 11) How does knowing God is a good father (Luke 11:11-13) encourage you?
- 12) What do you need to help you grow in your prayer life?
- 13) How can we pray for you this week?

READ AHEAD FOR NEXT WEEK: Psalm 63