

## **PRAYSTRONG**

Receive the Papa's Power, Mercy and Mission

# Pastor Derwin Gray March 8-9, 2014

- 1. Open in prayer.
- 2. Read Matthew 6:7-13
  - The Lord's Prayer forms us into people who embody the Kingdom of God. Pastor Derwin said, "The Lord's prayer empowers us to avoid selfishness and moves us to intimacy with God." Discuss this statement.
  - This prayer isn't about us getting stuff from God. Instead, it's about His grace-gift to us! How does this impact your daily living and the way you pray?

#### 3. Read John 14:7-10

- Philip wanted to know the same thing we want to know today, "What is God like?"
- What is Jesus' reply (John 14:9) and how does that answer what God is like?
- Our first value at TC is to "have a high and lofty view of God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit". How does Jesus' answer help us in our view of God?

#### 4. Read Mark 5:1-5

- Anyone who is outside of Jesus is spiritually dead and is like the man living in the cemetery.
   Discuss this statement.
- Christabel shared her story with us and made a point about being 'trapped in religion'. Have
  you ever felt this way? Do you feel like you have to achieve something in order to please
  God?

#### 5. Read Mark 5:6-13

- We can trust God our Papa. He's our all-powerful Lord!
- There are two teams in this world—we're either influenced by Jesus or by something else. Even the demons recognize that Jesus is all-powerful. He's so powerful, that even the demons pray to Him. When you pray, do you talk to God with this kind of confidence?
- Pastor Derwin said, "The American church isn't lacking information, its lacking transformation—which comes from a trusting relationship with God." How would you describe your relationship with God? Does your life reflect your trust in Him?

#### 6. Read Mark 5:14-20

- There are going to be people in our lives, who look at us and are afraid because Jesus has transformed our lives so much. Share how Jesus has transformed you.
- The people wanted Jesus to leave because they didn't care about the man, they cared about the money they lost when their pigs drowned. Do you live a life that demonstrates that people are more important than money/material things? Discuss.
- After the man received God's mercy he went on mission and told his whole town! As we experience God's infinite MERCY—it sends us out ON MISSION. We don't have to prove ourselves because God has already accomplished everything on our behalf! Discuss how this impacts your daily life. What does it mean for you to live on mission?

Soul-tattoo: Daily Prayer: Papa, I want to know Your power, Your mercy, and join Your mission.

### **CALENDAR**