MESSAGE DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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This week Senior Pastor Marty Grubbs gave the final sermon in the series *Radical: Stop Playing It Safe* with a message on radical prayer. Six short but daring prayers that, when God answers, will have enormous effect on your life—for the better. These prayers should have a place of priority in your open communication with God. He won't tire of hearing them, or answering them.

- Humble me.
- Search me.
- Forgive me.
- Change me.
- Lead me.
- Use me.

SCRIPTURE

1 PETER 5:6

So humble yourselves under the mighty power of God, and at the right time he will lift you up in honor.

PROVERB 11:2

Pride leads to disgrace, but with humility comes wisdom.

PHILIPPIANS 2:5-8

- ⁵ You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had.
- ⁶ Though he was God, he did not think of equality with God as something to cling to.
- ⁷ Instead, he gave up his divine privileges; he took the humble position of a slave and was born as a human being.

When he appeared in human form,

8 he humbled himself in obedience to God and died a criminal's death on a cross.

PSALM 139:23-24

- ²³ Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts.
- ²⁴ Point out anything in me that offends you, and lead me along the path of everlasting life.

PSALM 51:1-2

- Have mercy on me, O God, because of your unfailing love.
 Because of your great compassion, blot out the stain of my sins.
- ² Wash me clean from my guilt. Purify me from my sin



1 JOHN 1:9

But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness.

PSALM 51:10

Create in me a clean heart, O God. Renew a loyal spirit within me.

EPHESIANS 3:20

Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think.

MATTHEW 4:20

And they left their nets at once and followed him.

PROVERB 16:9

We can make our plans, but the Lord determines our steps.

2 TIMOTHY 4:6

As for me, my life has already been poured out as an offering to God.

ISAIAH 6:8

Then I heard the Lord asking, "Whom should I send as a messenger to this people? Who will go for us?" I said, "Here I am. Send me."

EPHESIANS 2:10

For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. What stood out from Marty's message?
- 2. Read the Scriptures listed above.
 - 1 Peter 5:6, Proverb 11:2, Philippians 2:5-8 What do you learn about humility?
 - Psalm 139:23-24 How does God "search" you?
 - Psalm 51:1-2, 1 John 1:9 What does God's forgiveness do?
 - Psalm 51:10, Ephesians 3:20 How does God change you?
 - Matthew 4:20, Proverb 16:9 What do you learn about God leading?
 - 2 Timothy 4:6, Isaiah 6:8, Ephesians 2:10 What do you learn about God using you?
- 3. Look at each of the categories and answer the question, "What does this look like, or what are examples of this, in people's lives?"
 - Humble me.
 - Search me.
 - Forgive me.
 - Change me.
 - Lead me.
 - Use me.
- 4. What would it look like in your life if you prayed the six prayers and God answered each of those prayers? Are there any that are harder to pray than others? Why do you think that is?
- 5. How can we pray for you?

PRAYER

Thank God for his Word, for giving us examples of radical prayers so that we, too, might be courageous in our petitions. Commit to praying these prayers: humble me, search me, forgive me, change me, lead me, use me. Wait anxiously upon the Lord to answer.