

These notes are designed to be used by small groups on Zoom, by members of a family or by a couple of friends on the telephone. They are based on our Sunday sermons and are designed to help us all think through the issues raised about “God in my Everything”. You will get the most out of them if you have heard the sermon first.

Sermon Date

Sunday 7th February 2021, Roy Crown

Bible Passages

Isa 40: 28-31; Luke 11: 1-13

Theme & Introduction

We asked Roy Crowne, the President of Hope Together, to share “some things I have learned about prayer”. The aim of these study notes is to help you learn from Roy, but also from each other’s experiences.

Questions

1. Crises in life can affect our prayer lives. How has the pandemic affected your prayer life – positively or negatively?
2. Roy encouraged us to “*raise our heads*” and remember who God is as we pray.
Read Isa 40: 28-31. If you read those verses before you pray, how might it affect your praying? Pick out any verses you find particularly encouraging and share why.
3. **Read Luke 11: 1-13.** How do you react to the idea of prayer being an invitation from Jesus to **Come** to Him, to **Ask** of Him, to **Seek** Him and with shameless audacity, **keep Asking**? Is that the way you normally think when you pray?
4. Roy said: “*The key to prayer is not seeing the answer in what happens, but in seeing the development of what the Holy Spirit does in you*”. Can you share ways that praying for things has changed you?
5. What we asked Roy to speak on was, “*Some things I have learned about prayer*”. If you were asked that question, how would you answer?
6. Our Archbishops have asked us all to pray at 6pm about the pandemic. How could you best do that?

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