Series: PRAY FIRST Title: THE Pray-er Speaker: Bob Marvel Date: March 24-25, 2018

Reminder: This Friday is our Easter prayer vigil. Everyone's invited to come and pray for however short or long you choose. We gather on the hour starting at 6am ending at 9:00pm in 201. If most of your group can't come, then take time to pray for our Easter services.

Looking back on PRAY FIRST, what's God doing in your life through this series?

What were some of the ways that Jesus' culture built prayer into his life? Think about Jewish clothing, rituals, holidays, Sabbath, etc.

We know Jesus overcame the devil in the wilderness. What did Bob suggest happened at his baptism that strengthened him in the wilderness and sustained him through the rest of his ministry? See Matthew 3:17m 4:3 &5

What stands out to you from Luke 5:16?

Substantiate Peter Scazzero's claim regarding Jesus' ministry: "Doing for the Father flowed from being with the Father".

Give examples of how Jesus developed what Bob called, "the inner life".

How do our prayers move from resistance to reverent submission?

Bob drew out a distinction that Jesus didn't just have a prayer life, he led a life of prayer. What's the difference and why is that important?

Read Isaiah 53:12, Romans 8:34, and Hebrews 7:25. Looking at these passages who did Jesus pray for? When did those prayers take place?

And looking also at John 17:20-21, how can the reality that Jesus prayed for you and still is praying for you, alter the way you face your problems and do your ministry?

"Help me want the Healer more than the healing. Help me want the Savior more than the saving. Help me want the Giver more than the giving. Help me want you Jesus more than anything." Natalie Grant's "More Than Anything"