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Prayer for a New Endeavor Nehemiah 1:1-11

Truly effective prayer and spiritual discernment begins with a heart that is _____ and _____ before the Lord. Without an engaged heart, all the right words and outward behaviors mean little.

Discussion 1. Have you ever experienced prayer that comes from a completely broken and surrendered heart as opposed to prayer that is purely intellectual? How would you explain the difference for you? If our heart is not broken for anything right now, how should we be praying?

Beginning prayer with adoration reminds me of who God is, i.e., with whom I am engaging. Moving then to _____ reminds me of who I am in light of who God is...I am a man of unclean lips and I come from a people of unclean lips.

Discussion 2. Let's be honest...many of us engage in prayer often without adoration and/or confession. Why do you suppose that is? What do you believe is the most important step toward including these as a matter of discipline in our prayers?

Praying scripture back to God is a powerful way to _____ our faith and to have our prayers _____ our own hearts.

Discussion 3. Do you believe memorizing scripture would help in your prayer life? If so, how would it help? If not, why not?

God, who does not exist on a _____ like you and I do, makes arrangements to answer our prayers long before we even know to pray them. He knew about that new assignment of yours long before you did. He's got this.

Discussion 4. Has God ever caused your heart to break about something he was calling you to help address? If so, did He also open doors and make your way straight to accomplish it? Share that story.