



Rock Church Point Loma

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Power in the Unseen

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This 4-part series explores why we pray, how we pray, and what happens when we pray. In Part 3, Pastor Alli delves into what occurs within us, for us, around us, and in the heavenly realm when we engage in prayer.

In your group, read Hebrews 4:14-16, review the points below, then respond accordingly:

1. **What happens IN us? We are strengthened** (Jude 20-21). In an ever-changing world, stand strong in your faith, praying and being moved by the Holy Spirit.

Discussion: Pay attention to your stance on prayer - have you been telling God what you need instead of asking Him what He wants for you?

2. **What happens FOR us? The Holy Spirit intercedes for us.** (Romans 8:26-27). We are human and sometimes don't know how to say or ask for what we want or need.

Discussion: When you are praying, do you have trouble thinking about what you will say, or is it easy for you to just open your mouth and let the words flow out?

3. **What happens AROUND us? Battles break out** (Daniel 10:12-13, Ephesians 6:12). Spiritual warfare is real, but our struggles should not be against one another.

Discussion: When put in a trial where you're faced with a defensive/offensive person, do you "fight back" or do you partner with God knowing He goes before you to demolish any strongholds?

4. **What happens in the HEAVENLIES? EVERY prayer is accounted for** (Revelation 8:2). God wants us to know that our prayers do not go unanswered into the atmosphere, whether it's a yes, a no, or not right now.

Discussion: Prayer is important and can change the course we're on. Decide to make your prayer time more personal, but what does that mean to you - will you get up earlier? Create/go into a prayer closet? Pray for longer durations? Something else?

