



PRAYER

HO-HUM WORSHIP

Have our prayers  
become routine?

# INTRODUCTION

At a certain point in worship we will ask some man to lead our opening prayer.

Public prayer can become ho-hum, routine.

Often we hear the same words and phrases.

We often follow the same format.

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- **Submission** to God – Your will be done

# THOSE WHO LEAD IN PUBLIC PRAYER

Direct the thoughts on the heart of the congregation

Mention those who are sick, needing our prayers

Specific is better than generic

Don't make announcements



# MEN LEADING IN PRAYER

What can the leader of prayer do to prevent our prayers becoming ho-hum?

If you know in advance – have a plan in mind

Know who you want to pray for – sick, events, etc.

Know what is needed – gospel meeting, VBS, etc.

# ALL WHO HEAR THE PRAYER

Listen to the words and thoughts expressed

Add your own thoughts, people, concerns

Agree with what was said in the prayer

# PRAYER IS IMPORTANT

We lowly humans get to approach the throne of God and make humble requests of the Almighty.

All of us are involved in public prayer.

**BE SURE YOUR HEART AND LIFE  
ARE READY TO APPROACH  
GOD'S THRONE.**