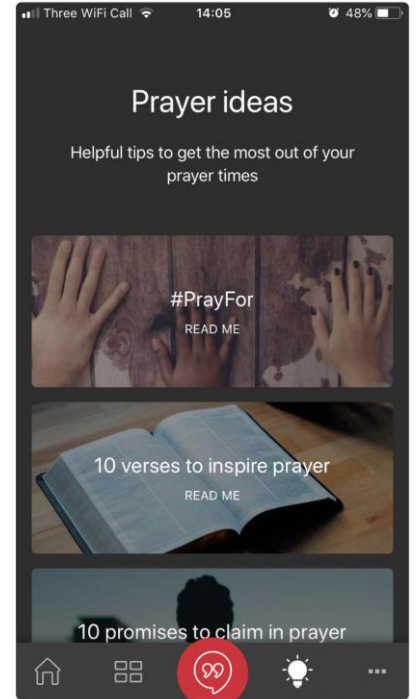
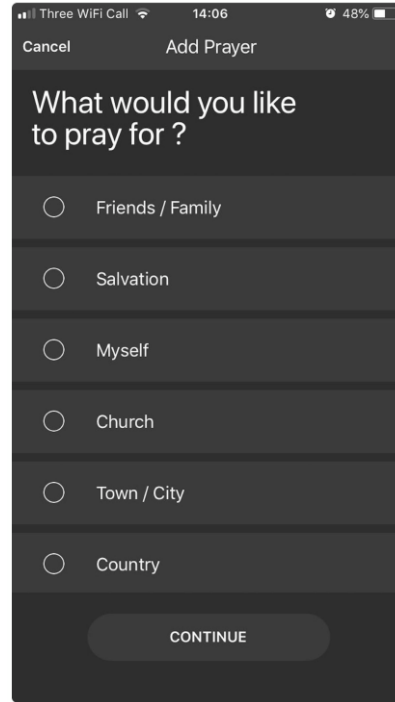
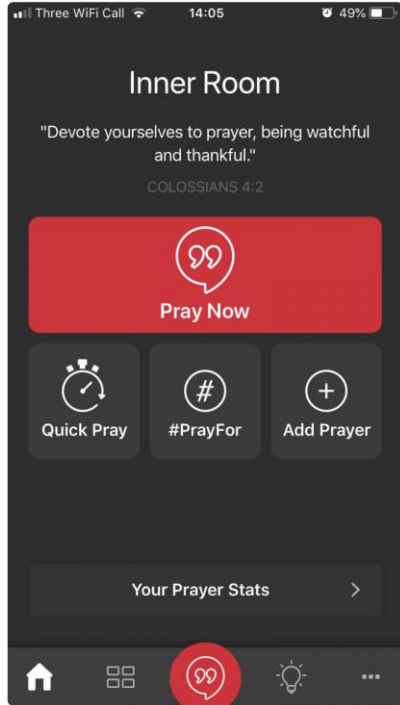
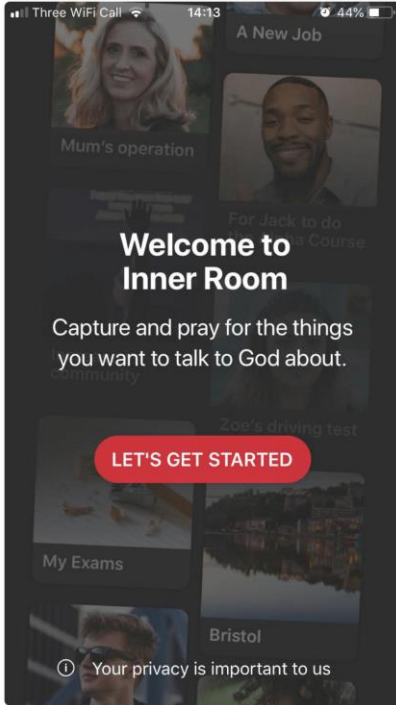


# When...





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Praying is a means to an end – to  
be in the secret place with Father

*Connecting*  
*Recognising*  
*Believing*

*Contending*

*With shameless audacity*

Luke 11.1-13 (NIV)

One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.”

He said to them, “When you pray, say:  
“Father,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come.



Give us each day our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins,  
for we also forgive everyone who sins  
against us.  
And lead us not into temptation.”

Then Jesus said to them, “Suppose you have a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have no food to offer him.’

And suppose the one inside answers, 'Don't bother me. The door is already locked, and my children and I are in bed. I can't get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give you the bread because of friendship,

yet because of your shameless audacity  
he will surely get up and give you as  
much as you need.

“So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

“Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

Exodus 32.7-14 (NIV11)

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Go down, because your people, whom you brought up out of Egypt, have become corrupt. They have been quick to turn away from what I commanded them and have made themselves an idol cast in the shape of a calf.

They have bowed down to it and sacrificed to it and have said, 'These are your gods, Israel, who brought you up out of Egypt.'



“I have seen these people,” the Lord said to Moses, “and they are a stiff-necked people. Now leave me alone so that my anger may burn against them and that I may destroy them. Then I will make you into a great nation.”

But Moses sought the favour of the Lord his God. “Lord,” he said, “why should your anger burn against your people, whom you brought out of Egypt with great power and a mighty hand?”

Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out, to kill them in the mountains and to wipe them off the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce anger; relent and do not bring disaster on your people.

Remember your servants Abraham, Isaac and Israel, to whom you swore by your own self: 'I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and I will give your descendants all this land I promised them, and it will be their inheritance forever.' ”

Then the Lord relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

Jesus – a father who responds when  
his children pray

We have a role to play

“We are not merely passive set pieces in a prearranged predetermined cosmic drama. We are active participants with God in the design and action that unfolds.



Prayer is much more than asking God for this or that outcome. It is drawing into communion with him and, in that, taking up our privileged role as his people. In prayer we are invited to join him in directing the courses of this world.”

Skye Jethani

Praying makes a difference in the  
Kingdom of God

Ask – with shameless audacity,  
impudence

Don't stop asking – with shameless audacity. Be persistent, contend

We give up so quickly

Keep asking, keep knocking, keep  
seeking with shameless audacity,  
contend