

Date: June 2, 2019

Sermon Title:

Speaker: Ronnie Marmol

Scripture text(s): Acts 17:16-25

- 1) Read Acts 17:16-25. Do you rely on prayer for your every breath?
- 2) Why do you think we struggle to pray?
- 3) Ronnie talked about barriers to a life of prayer. The first is a desire for self-sufficiency. Discuss self-sufficiency. What is it? What are its effects? Why is it prevalent in our society?
- 4) Another barrier Ronnie discussed is a hunger for worldly pleasures and self-gratification. Discuss what this looks like. How does it prevent us from having an intimate relationship with God?
- 5) The third barrier Ronnie discussed is being prone to embrace our culture's humanistic bent. What does this mean? How does this manifest itself in our lives?
- 6) What is the root of each of these barriers?
- 7) What are some practical steps you can take this week to incorporate prayer into your day?