# Session Two: How did Jesus Practice Prayer?

**Opening Discussion**

1. The Gospels record numerous occasions when Jesus prayed. Taking into consideration our discussion last week where we described prayer as like a conversation, it's worth considering why Jesus—who was true God—would need to pray and why He would spend so much time in prayer during His earthly ministry. Why do you think prayer was so important to Jesus?

**Digging Deeper**

2. Read Mark 1:35-39 and Luke 5:12-16. What do these passages teach us about Jesus practice of prayer? What might these passages teach us about our own practice of prayer?

3. Read Luke 3:21-22. What was Jesus doing as He was being baptized? What do you think He was praying about? When might we pray in a similar way?

4. Read Luke 6:12-16. How does hearing that Jesus was praying before calling and choosing His disciples affect the way you view the disciples and their ministry?

5. Read John 17. For whom did Jesus pray in this prayer? How is this make you feel to know that Jesus prayed this prayer? What reason or purpose might we have to pray as similar prayer today?

6. Read Luke 22:39-46. What does this prayer reveal about the relationship that Jesus had with His Father?

7. Read Luke 23:32-38. What does Jesus ask of His Father in this prayer? How does this prayer impact you?

**Apply**

8. Which of the passages about Jesus' prayer life was most encouraging or impactful for you? What did you learn about prayer from Christ's example?