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24	If you want to find your voice, you need to hear the voice of God.	Jeremiah 1:4
25	Prayer is the way we recognize potential in others.	Numbers 11:29
26	Change of pace + Change of place = Change of perspective.	1 Thessalonians 5:17
27	If you want to break the sin habit, you've got to establish a prayer habit.	Matthew 17:21 <i>KJV</i>
28	Don't just pray about it; do something about it.	Matthew 25:23
29	If you want God to do something new, you cannot keep doing the same old thing.	Psalms 96:1
30	Reading (the Bible) without meditating is like eating without digesting.	John 15:7
31	Most of us don't get what we want because we don't know what we want.	Matthew 20:32
32	Most of us are educated way beyond the level of our obedience.	Revelation 12:11
33	Don't worry about making headlines; focus on footnotes. And if you focus on the footnotes, God will write the headlines.	Exodus 17:12
34	When the prayer meeting becomes the most important meeting, revival is around the corner.	2 Kings 19:30
35	If we do little things, God will do the big things. But we have to do the little things <i>like</i> the are big things.	Zechariah 4:10
36	What we keep we ultimately lose; what we give away we ultimately get back.	Matthew 6:20
37	Agreeing with someone in prayer is like getting your prayer notarized.	Matthew 18:18
38	Going back to places of spiritual significance can help us find our way forward again.	Habakkuk 2:1
39	The purpose of prayer is not to give orders to God; the purpose is to get orders from God.	Exodus 3:5
40	Prayer is the difference between the best we can do and the best God can do.	Luke 11:1

## The 40-day Prayer Challenge\*

# 7:14

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"If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land."  
2 Chronicles 7:14

## Introduction

St. Luke's Women of the Word (WOW) have been inspired by Mark Batterson's book "Draw the Circle" and joyfully invite you to experience the 40-Day Prayer Challenge. "The goal of the challenge isn't to get what you want by day 40. In fact, the goal is to figure out what God wants, what God wills. ....to establish a prayer habit so you're still praying on day 41, day 57, day 101, day 365."<sup>1</sup> Lent is a 40-day journey, and the nature of any journey is change. We believe these 40 days will change your life and you will experience God like never before.

We strongly recommend you join us in reading "Draw the Circle" by Mark Batterson. This handout, however, will be a "kick-start" to your prayers for the 40 days marked by the number of days Jesus spent in the wilderness fasting and praying prior to his crucifixion.

Our cover scripture promotes our prayers at 7:14 a. m. to start each day collectively and individually as we reach out to God and figure out what God wants and what God wills. By dialing into God's frequency in the morning, we will hear God's still, small voice the rest of the day<sup>1</sup>.

Let's begin with our daily prayer focus based on highlights from "Draw the Circle."

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1	If you pray to God regularly, irregular things will happen on a regular basis	Acts 10:2
2	God is great not just because nothing is too big for Him; God is also great because nothing is too small.	Proverbs 16:9
3	If we give more of ourselves to God, God will give more of Himself to us.	Joshua 3:5
4	Sometimes God delivers us from our problems; sometimes God delivers us through our problems	John 9:3
5	Write down your prayers. The shortest pencil is longer than the longest memory	Habakkuk 2:2
6	The greatest tragedy in life is the prayers that go unanswered simply because they go unasked.	Luke 11:8

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7	I you want to see God move, make a move	Mark 16:20
8	One God-idea is worth more than a thousand good ideas.	Job 12:8
9	Never underestimate the power of a single prayer	2 Corinthians 10:5
10	If you want to see God do crazy miracles, sometimes we need to pray crazy prayers. Bod prayers honor God and God honors bold prayers.	Luke 18:5
11	We don't see the world as it is; we see the world as we are.	Colossians 4:2
12	If we do the little things like they are big things, then God will do the big things like they are little things.	Matthew 17:20
13	God can accomplish more in one day than you can accomplish in a lifetime.	Act 10:3
14	Quit talking to God about your problem and start talking to your problem about God.	Matthew 17:20
15	Prayer is the difference between you fighting for God and God fighting for you.	Psalms 35:23
16	God always has a holy surprise up His sovereign sleeve.	John 3:8
17	God is never early. God is never late. God is always right on time.	Daniel 9:19
18	Don't lose heart. Don't lose hope. Don't lose faith. Don't lose patience. Keep asking. Keep seeking. Keep knocking.	Joshua 6:4
19	Our prayers don't die when we do. God answers them forever.	Acts 10:4
20	If you are looking for excuses, you will always find one.	Hebrews 11:8
21	God is not a genie in a bottle, and your wish is not His command. His command better be your wish.	Joshua 1:3
22	When God gives a vision, He always makes provision.	Judges 6:37
23	Sometimes God's no simply means not yet.	Acts 1:4