



## Week #0: Pray Like Jesus

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3. How would starting your day or facing challenges with "pray first" change your heart, decisions, or relationships this year? Be specific about one area of life where this could make a difference.
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