PRAYING INTO EASTER

April 16

Focus for Today:

Today we will focus on Mark 11:23-26 and Jesus instruction on prayer. Reflect on your prayers to God lately and your prayer life overall. How can you grow in communicating with God through prayer? What steps can you take? When you pray do you trust and show confidence in God for those things? Consider praying for greater trust, confidence and faith in God and His power. Consider praying for others whom you need to forgive? Is there someone in your life who has wronged or hurt you that you hold bitterness and resentment toward? If so, consider releasing this to God.

Daily Scripture:

Mark 11:23-26: "Truly I tell you, if anyone says to this mountain, 'Go, throw yourself into the sea,' and does not doubt in their heart but believes that what they say will happen, it will be done for them. Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours. And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive them, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins."

Prayer Example:

Father, I thank you for forgiveness of my sins and pray that I can be an extension of forgiveness to those around me. For people in my life, whom I have been slow and reluctant to forgive for many reasons, I release this to You now to help me let go of any bitterness or resentment. I pray for greater confidence and trust in You! Lead me into an ever-deepening level of trust in You and Your power. May my prayers reflect boldness and confidence resulting from greater trust in You. In Jesus' name I pray, Amen.