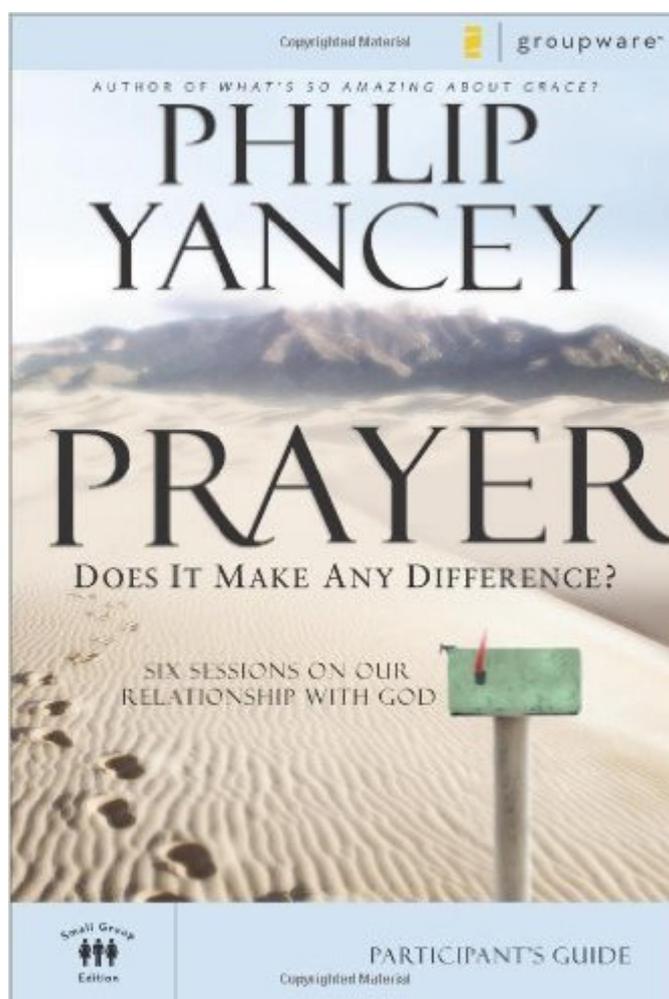


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# Prayer Participant's Guide: Six Sessions On Our Relationship With God (Groupware Small Group Edition)



## Synopsis

In this six-session Zondervan Groupware™ video curriculum, award-winning author Philip Yancey probes the very heartbeat—the most fundamental, challenging, perplexing, and deeply rewarding aspect—of our relationship with God: prayer. What is prayer? How does it work? And more importantly, does it work? In theory, prayer is the essential human act, a priceless point of contact between us and the God of the universe. In practice, prayer is often frustrating, confusing, and fraught with mystery. *Prayer: Does It Make Any Difference?* is an exploration of the mysterious intersection where God and humans meet and relate. Yancey explores such questions as: • Is God listening? • Why should God care about me? • If God knows everything, what's the point of prayer? • Why do answers to prayer seem so inconsistent and capricious? • Why does God seem sometimes close and sometimes far away? • How can I make prayer more satisfying? The Prayer DVD and Prayer participant's guide are available separately.

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## Customer Reviews

I led this DVD study after completing '3:16 the Numbers of Hope'. There was no comparison. This study was so much deeper and better done. I highly recommend this study for a church or small group. Yancey has put time into this participant's guide/study to make it an excellent resource for learning to pray better.

Good or bad, I'm probably biased because Philip and I were in school together. However, this book,

like the many books Philip has written before, explores an aspect of belief normally left untouched or unanswered. Philip writes as most people think and expresses those thoughts carefully and logically. He does not give you answers but rather makes you realize the answers for yourself. If you want a practical guide to the meaning and effect of prayer explored through Philip's eyes and those of others he uses as reference, this is the book you should read.

full of very interesting and thought provoking questions and discussion starters. Their time frame suggested to complete each study is VERY optimistic, just be warned if trying to use it to plan a meeting. Add 30 minutes to their total and you may be close!

We are currently using the DVD and participant's tools in two home groups. The author's style and outdoors setting fit very well in our Southwest culture. I especially appreciate the study book's questions and exercises for further study. Like any study, you get out of it what you put into it, yet we've found it to be very inviting and challenging.

I bought this participant's guide to use for a small group study. It is not a valuable resource for use in conjunction with the book. Note: to be fair, I do not have the DVD, which the authors (NOT Philip Yancey, by the way) base the guide on. If you try to use this guide with the book, you'll find yourself "all over the place" trying to find the information.

Discovered new scriptures and gained new insights about prayer. We had a small group that completed the study; we found it to be helpful to us spiritually. I plan to go back through the study at a later date as I think there is more information to be gleaned from Yancey's perspectives and the scriptures he references.

I had so many questions about prayer and this book covered everyone of them. It is well worth reading if you have all those nagging questions.

This is a wonderful book on an in-depth look at prayer. I love Philip Yancey's style and writing!! I highly recommend this book.

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