**“More Than Fingerprints”**

***Matthew 6:9***

**I. Three Stories**

*Luke 17:7-10 - dutiful servant*

*Luke 18:18-30 - Rich Young Ruler*

*Luke 5:17-26 - Paralytic lowered from the rooftop*

**II. How do you relate to God?**

 \* Answer = H \_ \_ \_ F \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ (Papa Ji)

 \* How? = through the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 **A) Common Ways We Relate to God**

1) Soldier

 2) Teacher/Professor

 3) Policeman

 4) Genie

 5) Beggar

**B) More Than Fingerprints**

*Why do encounters with God sometimes seem so far between?*

 1) Heaven - Ecclesiastes 3:11

 2) To Please God/ Strengthen your faith - 1 Peter 1:7; Hebrews 11:6

**II. This is How we should relate to God**

**A) Note the way the Bible says we should relate to God**

1) Jesus interacted with God as … “Father”

2) “Our Father,” who art in heaven … see also Exodus 6:7

3) Father - “Our Father,” who art in heaven

 **B) Note ways He has personally interacted with you already**

1) Jesus becoming man was a personal thing for all of humanity

 2) The Father gave His only Son to people who fail & rejected him

3) Died for your sins specifically - He PERSONALLY met your greatest need

 4) Sought you and rescued you - He did it not you John 15:16; 1 John 4:19

 5) Given Holy Spirit as constant companion … John 14:16

 6) Jesus prays for you to the Father … Hebrews 7:25

 **C) Note His invitation Today**

Salvation = Revelation 3:20

Difficult Times = Matthew 11:28

Time when Afraid = John 14:27

Longing for Personal Touch = James 4:8