*– Matthew 6.6-13 –*
*Words to Teens 5*
**Meeting with God in Prayer**

*Mat 6.5 "And when you pray, you shall not be like the hypocrites. For they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the corners of the streets, that they may be seen by men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. 6 But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly. 7 And when you pray, do not use vain repetitions as the heathen do. For they think that they will be heard for their many words. 8 Therefore do not be like them. For your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him. 9 In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. 10 Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven. 11 Give us this day our daily bread. 12 And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors. 13 And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen."*

* What riddle must we solve if we want to understand Jesus' teaching on prayer?

* What is the answer to the riddle?

* Where do we see this modeled, and how?

* What is the great "why," "how", "when," and "where" of prayer?

* The first implication of these truths is that God wants you to pray about what?

* The second implication of these truths is that your prayers don't depend upon what?

* The third implication of these truths is that growing up means what?

* What are the four parts of having a large soul?
     (1)

     (2)

     (3)

     (4)

* The fourth implication of these truths is that growing up means what?

* All of which brings us back to what?

* Homework
   • Read: Proverbs 1.10-19
   • Ponder
      ◦ On the surface, this passage warns against gang life. Does it only apply to young men in gangs or tempted to join gangs, or is there something deeper going on, and if so, what?

      ◦ On the surface, this applies only to guys. Does is carry any application to girs, and if so, how?