

QUESTIONS FOR ADDITIONAL STUDY

Cornerstone Church
James 5:13-18

October 9, 2022
Study Series #15

1. Tell your story. Describe a time when you saw God work in a powerful way as the result of your prayers.

2. What are some of the reasons believers neglect prayer?

3. Read the following passages and note what the Bible says about prayer:

- a) II Chronicles 7:14
- b) Proverbs 15:29
- c) Matthew 5:44
- d) Luke 18:1
- e) Philippians 4:6-7
- f) Colossians 4:2
- g) James 1:5-8

4. Why are the prayers of Elijah no different than ours?

5. What practical application are you going to make from this week's message? (*Share your decision with another person.*)

- I am going to commit to at least 5 minutes of prayer every day.
- I am going to seek out a believer who needs encouragement and talk with them and pray for them.
- I am going to memorize Philippians 4:6-7.

The Power of Godly Praying

I. Introduction

A. The Letter to God

B. Understanding this Passage

(See James 5:13; James 5:14; Acts 8:1-4)

II. The Power of Godly Praying

A. Prayer for Comfort

(See James 5:13; II Timothy 2:3; II Timothy 2:9;
II Timothy 4:5; II Corinthians 1:3-4; I Peter 5:7;
Acts 24:10; Acts 27:36; Acts 16:22-26)

B. Prayer for Restoration

(See James 5:14-15; II Corinthians 12:10;
I Thessalonians 5:14; Galatians 6:2; Matthew 6:17;
Luke 7:38; Mark 16:1; John 12:3; Mark 6:13;
Philippians 2:25-27; I Timothy 5:23; II Timothy 4:20;
II Corinthians 12:5-10; Matthew 8:1-13; Mark 2:1-12;
I John 1:9)

C. Prayer for Accountability

(See James 5:16; II Corinthians 10:13; Hebrews 12:1;
Hebrews 12:12-13; I Peter 2:24; I John 1:9; Proverbs 27:17)

D. The Example of Godly Prayer

(See James 5:16-18; I Kings 17:11; I Kings 19:3;
I Kings 19:9-14; Deuteronomy 11:17; Deuteronomy 28:24;
I Kings 17:1; I Kings 18:1-46)

Passage of Study

James 5:13-18

¹³Is anyone among you suffering? *Then* he must pray. Is anyone cheerful? He is to sing praises. ¹⁴Is anyone among you sick? *Then* he must call for the elders of the church and they are to pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; ¹⁵and the prayer offered in faith will restore the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up, and if he has committed sins, they will be forgiven him. ¹⁶Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much. ¹⁷Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the earth for three years and six months. ¹⁸Then he prayed again, and the sky poured rain and the earth produced its fruit.

III. Conclusion

A. Instructions for the Believer

(See James 5:13-14; II Chronicles 7:14)

B. The Challenge

If you would like to know more about what it means to be a Christian, or if you would like to talk with someone or have someone pray for you, please contact the church office and the pastor will contact you.

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