

My Story

1. Who is someone you admire as a person of prayer? What have you learned or applied from their example?

Digging Deeper

2. James encourages us to pray in several circumstances (vv.13-14). Is there ever a time when Christians should not pray? Why or why not?
3. James says that, “the effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much (v.16).” What makes a person “righteous?” Does this mean that God affirmatively answers every prayer for healing?

4. How would you define the power of prayer? How does the example of Elijah’s life (vv. 17-18) support your answer?

Reflection

5. Have you ever confessed your sins to other trusted believers and received prayer? How can that experience bring forgiveness, healing and a new life?
6. How important is prayer in your life? Why? How is this importance supported by your actions?

SERMON NOTES

The Power of Prayer – James 5:13-18

Taking the Next Step

Is there someone you are praying for regularly? Is there someone you need to pray for more regularly? Ask God to bring that person to mind, and pray for them every day this next week. Then, keep praying!

Praises / Prayer Requests

