**The Real Power of Prayer**

James 5:13-18

**James 5:13 (ESV)**Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise.

**James 5:14 (ESV)**Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord.

**James 5:15 (ESV)**And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.

**James 5:16 (ESV)**Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.

**James 5:17 (ESV)**Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth.

**James 5:18 (ESV)**Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit.

1. **Pray through every experience.**

**James 5:13 (ESV)**Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise.

**Psalm 50:15 (ESV)**Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me.

**Psalm 91:15 (ESV)**When he calls to Me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will rescue him and honor him.

1. **Pray over the sick.**

**James 5:14 (ESV)**Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord.

**2 Corinthians 12:7 (ESV)**So to keep me from becoming conceited because of the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from becoming conceited.

**2 Corinthians 12:8 (ESV)**Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me.

**2 Corinthians 12:9 (ESV)**But He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for My power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

**2 Corinthians 12:10 (ESV)**For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

**Praying for Deliverance [build list]**

***Admission***

***Submission***

***Transmission***

***Intermission***

***Permission***

***Revision***

1. **Pray for each other.**

**James 5:16 (ESV)**Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.

**Proverbs 27:17 (ESV)**Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another.

**Galatians 6:2 (ESV)**Bear one another’s burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

1. **Pray with expectancy.**

**James 5:17 (ESV)**Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth.

**James 5:18 (ESV)**Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit.

**1 Kings 17:1 (ESV)**Now Elijah the Tishbite, of Tishbe in Gilead, said to Ahab, “As the Lord, the God of Israel, lives, before whom I stand, there shall be neither dew nor rain these years, except by my word.”

**1 Kings 18:24 (ESV)**And you call upon the name of your god, and I will call upon the name of the Lord, and the God who answers by fire, He is God.” And all the people answered, “It is well spoken.”

**1 Kings 18:36 (ESV)**And at the time of the offering of the oblation, Elijah the prophet came near and said, “O Lord, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, let it be known this day that You are God in Israel, and that I am Your servant, and that I have done all these things at Your word.

**1 Kings 18:37 (ESV)**Answer me, O Lord, answer me, that this people may know that You, O Lord, are God, and that You have turned their hearts back.”

**1 Kings 18:38 (ESV)**Then the fire of the Lord fell and consumed the burnt offering and the wood and the stones and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench.

**1 Kings 18:39 (ESV)**And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces and said, “The Lord, He is God; the Lord, He is God.”

**1 Kings 18:41 (ESV)**And Elijah said to Ahab, “Go up, eat and drink, for there is a sound of the rushing of rain.”