

Series: YAFI 2022

Title: How does Prayer Work?

Text: James 5:13-20

I. The Purpose of Prayer: (James 5:16b)

Prayer is at Conversion: (Rom 10:13)

(Lk 18:13-14) The Lost Sinner has a right to pray this.

(Lk 23:39-43) The dying Thief Prayed and was received!

Prayer is a Conversation with God: (Phil 4:6)

Prayer is a Command: (Lk 18:1) (1 Thes 5:17)

Prayer is a Channel for Christians to get everything: (James 4:2b)

The Fullness of Joy: (Jn 16:24) (Prov 10:22)

The power of the Holy Spirit for God's work: (Lk 11:13)

Prayer Preceded Pentecost: (Acts 1:13-14)

Prayer gave them the power to endure persecution: (Acts 4:31)

Paul Prayed for the Power of the Holy Spirit: (Acts 9:11,17)

Prayer is a Cure for All Worry & Anxiety! (Phil 4:6-7)

(1 Pet 5:7) Prayer is a perfect Act of Faith! (Ps 34:4-9)

Prayer is a Compilation of: Adoration, Confession, and Thanksgiving.

Prayer is a Confirmation of God's Deity.

His Sovereignty:

His Omnipotence: (I Kings 18:36-39)

His Omnipresence: I can pray anywhere and be heard!

His Omniscience: (Mat 6:7-8)(Ps 37:4)

Prayer Is a Consistency: (Ps 86:3)(Ps 50:14-15)

We need to ask daily! Matt 7:7-11, Mark 11:24, Jn 15:7

Pray for the Afflicted: (James 5:13) (James 4:6a)

Pray for the Sick (James 5:14-15)

Pray for Confession of Sin (James 5:15b, 19-20)(1 Jn 1:9)

(James 5:17a) Elijah Asked! 1 Jn 5:14-15, 1 Jn 3:22

II. The Persistency of Prayer (James 5:16)

Effectual Prayer- (Mark 1:35 Prov 8:17)(Mk 9:17-29)

Importunate Prayer- (Lk 11:8-10, Lk 18:5-8)

(Acts 12:5) *Peter released from prison*

(James 5:16) *We must remain faithful before God! "Fervent"*

III. The Prerequisite of Prayer (James 5:16) "*Righteous Man*"

Positional Righteousness-Saved: (Rom 10:10, Rom 4:25, Rom 3:22)

Practical Righteousness- (1 Pet 1:16)

(Heb 4:16) Come boldly! Because we are righteous!

(1 Jn 3:22) *our prayer life is hindered by sin.*

(1 Pet 3:7) Out of sorts in our relationships.

(Is 59:1-2)(Ps 66:18)

IV. The Performance of Prayer: How to Pray – (Lk 11:1-3)

Praying in the Will of God: (Matt 26:39,42)

(1 Jn 5:14-15) *Confidence*

(1 Jn 3:22) *Pray for things that Please, Honor, Glorify*

(Ps 37:4) Delight thyself -Align your heart with God's heart.

(Jn 15:7) Abiding in His Word

(Jn 14:13-14) Pray In His Name! (Jn 16:24)

(Acts 8:18-21)(Acts 19:13-16)

Praying Specifically: (Mk 11:24) Desires are Specific!

Gideon Prayed Specifically: Judges 6:36-37,39

Eliezer, steward to Abraham: (Gen 24:12-14)(Rom 8:26-27)

Praying in Faith: (James 1:6)

(Mark 1:22-24) Commanded to have Faith

(Heb 11:6) Cannot Please Him W/O Faith (Jn 14:13-14)

(Rom 14:23) Unbelief is Sin-Disobedience to (Mk 11:22)

(Matt 17:20) Access to the GOD Possible (Mk 9:23)

(Rom 10:17) Faith is Build by the Word of God (Jn 15:7)

(1 Jn 3:22) Full surrender to the Holy Ghost leading & will of God

Ask for more Faith Mk 9:22-24, Lk 17:5, Rom 12:3

Just Pray: (Matt 7:7-8; James 4:2)

Involve Others: Matt 18:19

Nothing happens W/O Prayer:

Keeps us from Temptation:

Prayer is essential!