

Unleashing the Power of Prayer

Scripture: 1 John 5:14-15

Also: Philippians 4:6-7; 1 Timothy 2:3-4; Ephesians 5:17-18; 1 Thessalonians 4:3-6; 1 Peter 4:12-19; 1 Thessalonians 5:18; 2 Corinthians 8:1-5; 1 Peter 2:13-15.

Discussion Questions

1. What has challenged you, changed you or confused you from this week's sermon or the Scriptures in it?
2. Read 1 John 5:14-15.
3. What does it mean to have confidence in approaching God?
 - Is your approach to God characterized by confidence?
 - Why or why not?
4. I recently read an article that asserted that we (as Christians in America) pray mostly for "bodies & bumpers," meaning, for health and safety.
 - How does that align with prayers that you see in Scripture?
 - Is it wrong to pray for our circumstances? (no)
 - But should that be all we pray for? (no)
5. What does it mean to pray according to God's will?
 - What does Scripture teach that God's will is? There are actually very few things listed in the NT as God's will.
 - See: 1 Timothy 2:3-4; Ephesians 5:17-18; 1 Thessalonians 4:3-6; 1 Peter 4:12-19; 1 Thessalonians 5:18; 2 Corinthians 8:1-5; 1 Peter 2:13-15.
 - What does this mean for how you pray?
6. What could you change about your prayer life today because of this passage of Scripture, the sermon, or the discussion?

Take some time to pray for God's will, and you can approach Him boldly!