

PRAYING ABOUT YOUR PROBLEMS

James 5:13-20

James teaches us how to develop a faith that works in the trenches of life. This last portion mentions the word “prayer” seven times. Prayer is one of the greatest powers and privileges in our lives. It is also, probably, our greatest failure in the Christian life. The great promise of v.16 is “The prayer of a person living right with God is something powerful to be reckoned with.” (Message)

I. When Should I Pray?

1. When I am hurting e_____ v.13
2. When I am hurting p_____ vs. 14, 15

3 Kinds of Sickness

1. sickness for death 1 John 5:16
2. sickness for discipline 1 Corinthians 11:28-32
3. sickness for the glory of God John 9:3

5 Attitudes Toward Sickness

1. sensationalist
 2. confessionalist
 3. dispensationalist
 4. rationalist
 5. realist
3. When I am hurting s_____ v. 16a

II. What Kind of Person Can Pray?

An o_____ p_____ v. 17a

1 Kings 18:42-45 & 19:1-10

III. How Can I Pray Effectively?

1. I must a_____ James 4:2
2. I must have the r_____ m_____ James 4:3
3. I must have a c_____ l_____ James 5:16b

Psalm 66:18 Proverbs 28:9 Isaiah 59:2

4. I must ask in f_____ James 1:6