

# *The Life of Prayer*

**James 5:13-16**

**November 4, 2018**



## *James 5:13–16*

Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.



- **We were created to be in relationship with God and fulfill a purpose.**  
(Genesis 1:26-27)
- **We are at our best when we are connected to God.**  
(John 15:5)
- **Our primary means of connecting with God is prayer.**  
(John 17)



- **Prayer is conversation with God.**
- **In prayer, our focus shifts toward God and away from fear and worry.**
- **Prayer is telling God what He already knows**  
(so that our hearts align to His).
- **Prayer is inviting God to do what He already wants to do**  
(so that we can partner with Him).



## *Psalm 13*

How long, LORD? Will you forget me forever?  
How long will you hide your face from me?  
How long must I wrestle with my thoughts and  
day after day have sorrow in my heart? How  
long will my enemy triumph over me? Look on  
me and answer, LORD my God. Give light to my  
eyes, or I will sleep in death, and my enemy  
will say, "I have overcome him," and my foes  
will rejoice when I fall.

But I trust in your unfailing love; my heart  
rejoices in your salvation. I will sing the LORD's  
praise, for he has been good to me.



## *James 5:13–16*

Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.



## *Romans 8:31-34*

What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.



*Enter into the  
Life of Prayer*

