

# EVERYDAY FAITH

A WORSHIP SERIES  
THROUGH THE  
BOOK OF JAMES



# We will DO what we BELIEVE

## Trials

1:2 Count it all joy...when you meet trials of various kinds

## Temptations

1:14 each is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire.

## Anger

1:19 be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger

## Faith

2:26 faith apart from works is dead.

## Words

3:5 the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things.

## Peace

3:17 ...Wisdom from above.

## Insides

4:1 your passions are at war within you

## Today

4:14 yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring.

## Resources

1:9 Let the lowly brother boast in his exaltation,<sup>10</sup> and the rich in his humiliation.

## Patience

5:7 Be patient, therefore, brothers, until the coming of the Lord.

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## James 5:13-18

Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. <sup>14</sup> 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. <sup>15</sup> 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.

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<sup>16</sup> 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. <sup>17</sup> 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. <sup>18</sup> Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit.

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Our view and practice of prayer is 100% dependent on our on view of:

**God:**

His Goodness

His Power

“Does God care? Is He willing and able to help?”

**Myself:**

My Need

My Power

“Am I dependent on God? Do I have a relationship with Him?”

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### For Ourselves and for Each Other

*Prayer is about Relationship:  
Personally between us and  
the Lord; Communally among  
all Believers.*

### In the Painful and the Cheerful Times

*The painful times remind us  
of our dependence;  
the cheerful times remind us  
of God's graciousness.*



## *“Prayer of faith”*

### Humble:

*In absolute dependence, admitting my weakness.*

### Specific:

*Pleading for exactly what is on our hearts.*

Mark 9:22-24

“...But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us.”<sup>23</sup> And Jesus said to him, “If you can’t! All things are possible for one who believes.”<sup>24</sup> Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, ***“I believe; help my unbelief!”***

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Prayer is God passionately inviting us to sit down and spend intimate time and conversation with him;  
to hear His sweet words and get to know His heart;  
to listen to him reveal Truth to us.

But do I treat him as a  
Divine Vending Machine?  
Do I want God,  
or what God can give me?

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UP

Praise and Thanksgiving for Who God is and What God's Done.

1Thessalonians 5:16-18

Rejoice always, <sup>17</sup> pray without ceasing, <sup>18</sup> give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

<sup>16</sup> Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed.



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DOWN

Confession; "anoint with oil" is for spiritual and physical healing.

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Praise and Thanksgiving for Who God is and What God's Done.



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AROUND

Receive God's forgiveness; ask God for his power and grace in your life.

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OUT

Ask with UNFILTERED BOLDNESS for God to help and give hope to those around us.

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Prayer Has Real Power.

*“Every great movement of God can be traced to a kneeling figure.”*

— D.L. Moody

What about unanswered prayers?  
...when God really let me down?

Is it God's fault, or mine?

## Matthew 7:8-11

For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. <sup>9</sup> Or which one of you, if his son asks him for bread, will give him a stone? <sup>10</sup> Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a serpent? <sup>11</sup> If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him!

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## Matthew 26:36-46

Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to his disciples, “Sit here, while I go over there and pray.”<sup>37</sup> And taking with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, he began to be sorrowful and troubled.<sup>38</sup> Then he said to them, “My soul is very sorrowful, even to death; remain here, and watch with me.”<sup>39</sup> And going a little farther he fell on his face and prayed, saying, ***“My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as you will.”***

**Intimate**

**Specific**

**Humble**

Because The Father said “no” to Jesus  
“all the promises of God find their ‘Yes’ in him.” 2Cor 1:20

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## Romans 8:26-27

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with **groanings** too deep for words.<sup>27</sup> And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

“If we knew what God knows,  
we would ask exactly for what he gives.  
– Tim Keller

Prayer isn't trying to  
get God to align with  
us but to for him to  
align us with Him.

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