

Prevailing Prayer

"The Prayer of Faith"

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Introduction – We have been on a Series that I am Calling *"Prevailing Prayer,"* tonight we are going to Learn about **The Prayer of Faith.** Let's begin by defining terms.

______ - To gain ascendancy through strength or superiority: ______ To be or become effective or effectual.

II Corinthians 2:14 - "Now thanks be to God who <u>always</u> leads us in <u>triumph in Christ</u>, and through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place." NKJV

<u>James 5:13-18</u> - "Is any among you afflicted? let him pray. Is any merry? let him sing psalms. Is any sick among you? 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: And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The <u>effectual</u> fervent prayer of a righteous man <u>availeth</u> much. Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months. And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit." KJV

I. **Rightly _____ the Word of Truth**.

<u>2 Timothy 2:15</u> - Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. KJV

A. According to James 5:13-18, "Prayer _____ Things."

B. Not just any Prayer changes things, it is the Prayer of ______ that _____ things.

James 5:15 - And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. KJV

<u>James 1:5-8</u>- If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him. But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind. For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways. NKJV

C. The prayer that changes things, is the Prayer that is asked in Faith with no ______ or double-mindedness.

<u>Mark 11:22-24</u> - And Jesus <u>answering saith</u> unto them, Have faith in God. For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall <u>say</u> unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall <u>believe that those things which he saith</u> shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he <u>saith</u>. Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye <u>pray</u>, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them. KJV

II. ______ to the Prayer of Faith.

John 14:12-14 - "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father. And <u>whatsoever ye shall ask</u> in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall <u>ask any thing</u> in my name, I will do it." KJV

John 15:7, 8 - If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will <u>ask what you desire</u>, and it shall be done for you. By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples. (NKJV)

A._____ in Christ - Remain as one, do not depart, continue, to last, endure, live, wait, dwell.

B. Let God's Word _____ in us - Remain as one, do not depart, continue, to last, endure, live, wait, dwell.

C. Let ______ Desire Become ______ Desire - Through Meditating in God's Word Day & Night.

Psalm 37:4 - Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart. KJV

<u>Joshua 1:8</u> - "This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success." NKJV

<u>Psalms 1:1-3</u> - "Blessed is the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful; **But his delight is in the law of the LORD, And in His law he meditates day and night.** He shall be like a tree Planted by the rivers of water, That brings forth its fruit in its season, Whose leaf also shall not wither; And whatever he does shall prosper." NKJV

D. _____ what _____ Desire - As we spend time meditating in God's Word, His desires become ours.

E. _____ you Receive the Desire you _____ for when you Pray.

F. ______ what God says and what you believe you have received by Faith, no matter what you see.

G. _____ what you are believing you have received in the _____ Realm - Your Faith Has Now Become Sight.

<u>Conclusion</u> - The Prayer of Faith is not just grabbing a couple of Scriptures about what we desire and speaking them. The Prayer of Faith is a Result of us Abiding in God's Word and letting His Word Abide in us. When we Meditate in God's Word Day and Night until we become one with God and His Word, Receiving His Desires in our Heart and His Desires becoming the Desires of our Heart; Then we can Pray the Prayer of Faith.

The Prayer Faith takes the **desires** of **God that we receive from His Word**, That He has **Placed in our heart** And then we **decree them over what we see in our world**, calling those things that be not as though they were **until they come into being**.

<u>Romans 4:16-18</u> - "Therefore it is of faith that it might be according to grace, so that the promise might be sure to all the seed, not only to those who are of the law, but also to those who are of the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all (as it is written, "I have made you a father of many nations") in the presence of Him whom he believed—God, who gives life to the dead and calls those things which do not exist as though they did; who, contrary to hope, in hope believed, so that he became the father of many nations, according to what was spoken, "So shall your descendants be." NKJV