

A Revival Of Our Hearts (#17)
“The Power Of Prayer”
Cornerstone Church Of Poway
Pastor Ed Turley
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Big Idea: We need a revival in our hearts and homes that changes our lives.

“Come close to God, and God will come close to you.” **James 4:8a (NLT2)**

Remember Verse

Four Truths About The Power Of Prayer:

1. The Greatest Power We Have Is _____

“Are any of you **suffering hardships**? You should pray. Are any of you happy? You should **sing praises**.” **James 5:13 (NLT2)**

“I **love** you, LORD; you are my **strength**. The LORD is my **rock**, my **fortress**, and my **savior**; my God is my **rock**, in whom I find **protection**. He is my **shield**, the **power** that saves me, and my place of **safety**. I called on the LORD, who is **worthy of praise**, and he **saved** me from my enemies.” **Psalm 18:1-3 (NLT2)**

Notes: _____

2. We Are _____

“Are any of you sick? You should **call for the elders** of the church to come and **pray over you**, anointing you with oil in the name of the Lord. Such a prayer offered in faith will heal the sick, and the Lord will make you well. And if you have committed any sins, you will be forgiven.” **James 5:14-15 (NLT2)**

“All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is our merciful Father and the source of all comfort. He comforts us in all our troubles so that we can comfort others. When they are troubled, we will be able to give them the same comfort God has given us.” **2 Corinthians 1:3-4 (NLT2)**

Notes: _____

3. Sin Loses Its Power _____

“**Confess** your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The earnest prayer of a **righteous person** has **great power** and produces wonderful results.” **James 5:16 (NLT2)**

✓ **God Makes Ordinary People** _____

“Elijah was as **human** as we are, and yet when he prayed earnestly that no rain would fall, none fell for three and a half years! Then, when he prayed again, the sky sent down rain and the earth began to yield its crops.” **James 5:13-20 (NLT2)**

✓ **Pray For Those Who Have** _____

“My dear brothers and sisters, if someone among you wanders away from the truth and is brought back, you can be sure that whoever brings the sinner back will save that person from death and bring about the forgiveness of many sins.”

James 5:13-20 (NLT2)

Notes: _____

4. How Should I Pray?

✓ _____ **With Humility**

“You do not have, because you do not ask God” **James 4:2 (NIV)**

✓ **Have The** _____ **In Tune With God’s Will**

“When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with the wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.” **James 4:3 (NIV)**

✓ **Live A** _____

“The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective” **James 5:16b (NIV)**

“But there is a problem—your sins have cut you off from God. Because of your sin, He has turned away and will not listen anymore.” **Isaiah 59:2 (NLT)**

✓ **Ask In** _____

“But when he asks, he must believe and not doubt...” **James 1:6 (NIV)**

“At times I might shut up the heavens so that no rain falls, or command grasshoppers to devour your crops, or send plagues among you. Then if **my people** who are called by my name will humble themselves and **pray** and **seek** my face and **turn** from their wicked ways, I will **hear** from heaven and will **forgive** their sins and restore their land.” **2 Chronicles 7:13-14 (NLT2)**

Notes: _____

➤ **How is my prayer life?**

My next right step, I will pray by:

[] Checking my motives

[] Striving to live a clean life

[] Asking in Faith

[] Asking Jesus to be my Lord and Savior

[] Participating in The Return: Global Day of Prayer and Repentance – Sept. 26

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Family Corner: [Choose one day this week to ask questions to go deeper in faith as a family. Try this over dinner. Keep it to 12 minutes or less.]

Small Groups: [Choose as many questions that honor your group’s time commitment]

Open in Prayer:

- What thoughts from this week’s message encourage me to live like Jesus?

Icebreaker: How often do you pray? What subject do you pray the most?

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Four Truths About The Power Of Prayer:

1. The Greatest Power We Have Is Prayer And Praise

Read James 5:13

How confident am I that God listens to my prayers? Why?

Read Psalm 18:1-6

In which areas do I relate to this prayer? What are some experiences I have?

2. We Are Not Alone

Read James 5:14-15

Who are my trusted friends for prayer?

Is there a need that I can bring to the elders of the church?

Life Application Study Bible.5:14,15 James is referring to someone who is physically ill. In Scripture, oil was both a medicine (see the parable of the Good Samaritan in Luke 10:30-37) and a symbol of the Spirit of God (as used in anointing kings, see 1 Samuel 16:1-13). Thus, oil can represent both the medical and the spiritual spheres of life. Christians should not separate the physical and the spiritual. Jesus Christ is Lord over both the body and the spirit.

Read 2 Corinthians 1:3-4

How has God brought me comfort?

In what area can I help comfort someone else?

3. Sin Loses Its Power In The Light

Read James 5:16

Why does sin lose its power in the light?

Is there a secret area in my life that I am losing the battle?

Who is a trusted friend that I can tell anything?

✓ **God Makes Ordinary People Extraordinary**

Read James 5:13-20

How does the analogy of Elijah give me hope in my prayers?

✓ **Pray For Those Who Have Wandered Away**

Read James 5:13-20

Who do I need to pray more fervently for?

Is there something that I can do this week to help them back to Jesus?

4. How Should I Pray?

✓ **Ask With Humility**

Read James 4:2

Do I tend to wait for things to fall apart before I pray, or do I begin with prayer?

✓ **Have The Right Motives In Tune With God's Will**

Read James 4:3

How do I check my motives?

✓ **Live A Clean Life**

Read James 5:16

Read Isaiah 59:2

Is there something in my life that is blocking my prayers?

✓ **Ask In Faith**

Read James 1:6

Do I believe God will answer my prayers according to His will?

Read 2 Chronicles 7:13-14

How can I pray more fervently? Am I praying for our country?

Close in Prayer: _____