

INTRODUCTION

- * This is the final segment of our study of James' letter ...
- * Over the past two weeks we have considered how the Wisdom of God (Heavenly Wisdom) applies to our lives - examining what James declares regarding the Will of the Lord and the Treatment of Others. Today, we look at what James declares regarding The Prayer of Faith.
- * This section brings us full-circle to where James began his letter exhorting the brethren to call upon the Father of Lights - the giver of every morally good gift and every perfect bestowment - for wisdom in the midst of troublesome situations.
- * James concludes his letter with the same exhortation.

INSTRUCTION**I. THE PRAYER OF FAITH BEGINS WITH OUR C_____ (v. 13-18)****A. The E_____ to C_____ Prayer (v. 13-14)****B. The E_____ of F_____ Prayer (v. 14-16)**

1. THE R_____

a. H_____

i. To Ask for Prayer (cf. James 4:10)

ii. To Confess Your Sin (cf. Mark 1:5; Acts 19:18-19 [13-20]; Prov 28:13; 1 John 1:8-10; Rom 14:11; Phil 2:11)

b. U_____

i. To Not Judge One Another (cf. Proverbs 17:9)

ii. To Pray for One Another (cf. Ephesians 6:18)

c. F_____ (cf. Mark 9:23-24)

2. THE R_____ (cf. Acts 19:20)

C. The E_____ of E_____ Prayer (v. 17-18; 1 Kings 17:1; 18:1, 41-45)**II. THE PRAYER OF FAITH LEADS TO OUR C_____ (v. 19-20)****A. This Requires A K_____ of the T_____ (cf. Ephesians 4:11-16; 2 Timothy 2:15; 3:16-17)****B. This Requires A L_____ for O_____ (cf. Ephesians 4:11-16; Proverbs 10:12; 1 John 3:18)****C. This Requires A B_____ to S_____****INTROSPECTION**

- * How would God describe your prayer life?
- * Using your prayer life as a gauge, how would you describe your relationship God?
- * Are you a "faithful" friend?
Are you faithful to pray for others, hold them accountable, and cover their sins?
- * Is there a need to change the way you think and therefore the way you act?

INTERACTION ... Thoughts & Questions to ponder for later discussion

- * Looking back over the book of James, which of the "works" representing our faith do you believe that we, as an assembly, need to commit in prayer to Christ the most?