

Desensitized

Restoring the Wonder of Prayer November 10, 2024 - Week One

>> So many times we become desensitized to prayer, and it robs us of the joy and power of prayer in our lives.

1 John 5:14-15

And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

Matthew 21:22

And whatever you ask in prayer, you will receive, if you have faith.

James 5:16b-17

The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results. 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!

Luke 3:21-22

One day when the crowds were being baptized, Jesus himself was baptized. As he was praying, the heavens opened, and the Holy Spirit, in bodily form, descended on him like a dove. And a voice from heaven said, "You are my dearly loved Son, and you bring me great joy."

Luke 5:15-16

But despite Jesus' instructions, the report of his power spread even faster, and vast crowds came to hear him preach and to be healed of their diseases. But Jesus often withdrew to the wilderness for prayer.

Luke 6:11-12

At this, the enemies of Jesus were wild with rage and began to discuss what to do with him. One day soon afterward Jesus went up on a mountain to pray, and he prayed to God all night. At daybreak he called together all of his disciples and chose twelve of them to be apostles. Here are their names:

Luke 9:18

One day Jesus left the crowds to pray alone.

Luke 9:28

About eight days later Jesus took Peter, John, and James up on a mountain to pray.

Luke 11:1

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying. As he finished, one of his disciples came to him and said, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples."

You have access to the God who has answers for everything, can change anything, and always has your best in mind.

Matthew 6:7-9

"And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words.

Matthew 6:7-9

Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. Pray then like this: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

2. There is no question that God hears us and answers us.

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Jeremiah 29:12-13

Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart.

Proverbs 15:29

The LORD is far from the wicked, but he hears the prayers of the righteous.

3. Prayer activates the supernatural in your life.