

The Journey to Completion Requires Prayer

*"... the first breath drawn by the Church—and every breath since—
is the breath of prayer."* —Steve Booth

Every situation calls for prayer.

- 1) Prayer of the _____ is needed. James 5:13
 - a. Prayer in times of suffering
 - b. Prayer in times of good cheer

- 2) Prayer of _____ is needed. James 5:14-15
 - a. Prayer for healing
 - b. Prayer of faith

- 3) Prayer of _____ and _____ is needed. James 5:16
 - a. Intercessory prayer
 - b. Righteous person's prayer

- 4) Prayer of _____ power is needed. James 5:17

So What?

Are you praying in every situation? How is that shaping your heart towards God? Have you seen him move in power?



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James 5:13-18

Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. 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. 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. 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. 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. Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit.

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Next week we will conclude our study of James, focusing on the letter as a whole and the last two verses.