

“Powerful and Effective Prayers”

James 5:13-16

Introduction:

I. James tells us that there are prayers that are powerful and effective.

- A. I'm sure you've heard the saying, "There is \_\_\_\_\_ ."
- B. But what makes a prayer \_\_\_\_\_?
- C. What makes a prayer \_\_\_\_\_?

II. No doubt we are to pray.

- A. Is \_\_\_\_\_ the key that makes a prayer powerful and effective?
- B. We all know not everyone who has faith is \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. God \_\_\_\_\_ and answers the prayers of those who believe.
- D. Faith is \_\_\_\_\_ when it comes to prayer.
- E. As a believer in Jesus, you are a person who is covered in the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ.

III. It is righteousness that makes prayer powerful and effective.

- A. Not our righteousness, but the righteousness of \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. There is power in prayer only because of \_\_\_\_\_ and His righteousness.
- C. We are declared righteous through \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus Christ.
- D. If you have faith in Jesus, you are righteous and your prayers \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ are powerful and effective.

IV. That means we are to pray.

- A. Pray \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Pray \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. Pray \_\_\_\_\_.
- D. Pray or sing prayers of \_\_\_\_\_.

Conclusion: