

For the week of February 15, 2015
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The Priority of Prayer

Final week in the series 'Immortal. Invisible.'

James 5:13-20

It is clear that followers of Jesus are called into battle—a battle not waged with “fleshly weapons” but with weapons of spiritual power. A praying community is central to this fight. As we pray together sin is overcome; the weak are raised up; confession leads to freedom; the wanderers are sought out. In these ways the followers of Jesus become a city set on a hill and those outside the faith are made welcome.

Discussion Questions:

1. Can you relate an experience of being buoyed up by the faith of others when you were at a low ebb? Or an experience of confessing your sin to a friend which resulted in healing?
2. James 5:17-18 describes the power of prayer using the experience of Elijah. How can we grow in our certainty of the power of prayer?
3. Can you relate an account of someone you know who wandered from the faith and was brought back (James 5:19-20)?