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Week 5: The Power of Prayer

Daily Devotional

As you read these daily scriptures, ask yourself these three questions:

1. What is God saying to me?
2. What do I want to say to God in response?
3. How will I live out this truth?

**Day 1**: **James 5:16**

Therefore, confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

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**Day 2: Isaiah 55:8-9**

“For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways,” declares the Lord. “As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

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**Day 3: 1 John 5:14**

This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us.

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**Day 4: Philippians 4:6-7**

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

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**Day 5: Romans 12:12**

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

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Discussion Questions:

**1.** How has prayer impacted your life personally? Can you share a time when you felt a specific answer to prayer?

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**2.** What role does prayer play in your daily routine? What challenges do you face in maintaining a consistent prayer practice?

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**3.** In what ways can we support each other in our prayer lives? How can prayer influence community and relationships among believers?

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**4.** How do you approach prayer during difficult times?

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**5.** Read James 5:13-18. What lessons about prayer is James’s highlighting in these verses?

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6. Spend time in prayer with your LifeGroup; pray for one another’s needs, the church, and the country. Write the requests below so you can pray throughout your week.

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