**PRIORITIES: PRAYER
2 Chronicles 7:13-16 (ESV)**

**AS WE GROW IN LOVE FOR GOD, THE KING’S CHAPEL WILL BE:**

1. **A PRAYING CHURCH (2 Chronicles 7:14)**
2. A PRAISING CHURCH (Psalm 150, Ephesians 5:19)
3. A PROCLAIMING CHURCH (1 John 1:1-4)

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**12 RESULTS OF PRAYER: AS WE PRAY…**

1. **GOD IS GLORIFIED IN ANSWERING** *“Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son” (John 14:13).*
2. **WE RECEIVE FULLNESS OF JOY** *“Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask and you will receive, that your joy may be full” (John 16:24).*
3. **OUR NEEDS ARE MET** – “Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.” (Matthew 6:11-13) *“You do not have, because you do not ask” (James 4:2)*
4. **THE GOSPEL SPREADS MORE EFFECTIVELY** *“Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored” (2 Thess. 3:1).*
5. **OUR WITNESS IS CLARIFIED** *“At the same time, pray also for us, that God may open to us a door for the word, to declare the mystery of Christ, on account of which I am in prison – that I may make it clear, which is how I ought to speak” (Col. 4:3-4).*
6. **WE RECEIVE SUPERNATURAL BOLDNESS** *“[Pray also] for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak” (Eph. 6:19-20).*
7. **THE LOST ARE DRAWN TO SALVATION** *“Brothers, my heart’s desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved” (Romans 10:1).*
8. **WE EXPERIENCE PEACE IN SOCIETY** *“I urge that supplications, prayer, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way” (1 Timothy 2:1-2).*

**12 RESULTS OF PRAYER: AS WE PRAY…**

1. **THE SICK ARE HEALED**. *“Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray” (James 5:13a).
“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” (James 5:14). “Confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed” (James 5:16).*
2. **THE OPPRESSED AND DEMONIZED ARE SET FREE** *“pray at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints” (Ephesians 6:18).
“this kind (of demon) cannot be driven out by anything but prayer” (Mark 9:29).*
3. **WE ARE TRANSFORMED** *Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. (Psalm 139:23-24)*
4. **NATIONS REPENT AND RECEIVE MERCY** *“Yet even now,” declares the Lord, “return to me with all your heart with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; 13 and rend your hearts and not your garments. Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster.” (Joel 2:12-13)*

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**GROUP/PERSONAL APPLICATION:**

**“A.C.T.S.” Prayer** - A Method of Prayer for Groups

Pray only **one-sentence prayers or short phrases**, but feel free to pray multiple times per focus, disciplining yourself to stay on the current focus. Spend a few minutes on each focus.
The leader will move the prayer ahead as the group quiets.

**A- Adoration** (Matthew 6:9)– Praising God for who He is – His names, promises, accomplishments, and attributes. There is no one like our God!

“Lord, you are…”, “Lord, we praise you for..”, “Lord, we glorify you that…”

**C- Confession** (1 John 1:9) – Agreeing with God’s gracious conviction by confessing our sinful attitudes and actions against God and others. (Confess specifically and silently to the Lord). Feel free to confess general sinful attitudes aloud.

“Lord, help me with…”, “Lord, forgive me for…”, “I confess that I…”

**T- Thanksgiving** (Philippians 4:6-7) – Thanking God for what He has done

“Lord, thank you for…”

**S- Supplication** (Luke 11:9-10, 11-13) – Asking God to act in our lives, in the lives of others, in the world