

#### **August 24, 2025**

James 5:16 - Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results. (NLT)

2 Chronicles 7:14 - If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land. (NIV)

Matthew 12:46-50 - As Jesus was speaking to the crowd, his mother and brothers stood outside, asking to speak to him. Someone told Jesus, "Your mother and your brothers are standing outside, and they want to speak to you." Jesus asked, "Who is my mother? Who are my brothers?" Then he pointed to his disciples and said, "Look, these are my mother and brothers. Anyone who does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother!" (NLT)

# Learning #1: We need to admit we are not in control.

James 4:7-8 - So humble yourselves before God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Come close to God, and God will come close to you. Wash your hands, you sinners; purify your hearts, for your loyalty is divided between God and the world. (NLT)

1 Peter 2:23 - He did not retaliate when he was insulted, nor threaten revenge when he suffered. He left his case in the hands of God, who always judges fairly. (NLT)

Psalm 25:9 - He leads the humble in doing right, teaching them his way. (NLT)

Isaiah 66:2 - I will bless those who have humble and contrite hearts... (NLT)

James 4:6 - And he gives grace generously. As the Scriptures say "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." (NLT)

Matthew 11:28-30 - Then Jesus said, "Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you. Let me teach you, because I am humble and gentle at heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy to bear, and the burden I give you is light." (NLT)

### Learning #2: We need to ask God for help.

Matthew 6:6 - But when you pray, go away by yourself, shut the door behind you, and pray to your Father in private. Then your Father, who sees everything, will reward you. (NLT)

James 5:13-15 - Are any of you suffering hardships? You should pray. Are any of you happy? You should sing praises. Are any of you sick? You should call for the elders of the church to come and pray over you, anointing you with oil in the name of the Lord. Such a prayer offered in faith will heal the sick, and the Lord will make you well. And if you have committed any sins, you will be forgiven. (NLT)

Matthew 18:19 - I also tell you this: If two of you agree here on earth concerning anything you ask, my Father in heaven will do it for you. (NLT)

# Learning #3: We need to seek God, not a miracle.

Proverbs 8:17 - I love all who love me. Those who search will surely find me. (NLT)

Hebrews 11:6 - And it is impossible to please God without faith. Anyone who wants to come to him must believe that God exists and that he rewards those who sincerely seek him. (NLT)

# Learning #4: We need to trust God's word not our world.

Isaiah 17:10 - ... You have turned from the God who can save you. You have forgotten the Rock who can hide you... (NLT)

Acts 3:19 - Now repent of your sins and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped away. (NLT)