

The Prayer of a Righteous Man

James 5:13-20

The world James was writing to in his epistle was very different than the 21st century western world we inhabit. We don't live with same types of persecution (in the West at any rate) and our lives seem to be increasingly given toward greater levels of comfort and convenience. James writes that in all things, Christians pray. They give themselves to God realizing that He is the source of all life. James ends his powerfully practical and prophetically convicting epistle with this charge to make our lives ones of pray and dependence on the Creator and Sustainer of life.

Main

Prayer directs us in knowing and trusting the Creator and Sustainer of life.

Questions

Share about a time in your life when you were keenly aware of your dependence on God in prayer.

Does your prayer life feel like a dutiful responsibility or a joyful invitation? Why?

How has your thoughts about prayer matured as you've grown in your faith?

Do you find yourself relying on God to act in your life, or do you act on his behalf?