



Series How Can You Be Sure?

Passage 1 John 5:11-15

Title The Power of Praying God's Will - Part 2

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Discussion Starter – What are some of the things you have learned about prayer from the past two messages and in what way are you encouraged to apply them to your prayer life?

Jesus Grants Our Prayers (1 John 5:11-15)

- What is on your “to do” list this week? How should we approach God in our prayers to make sure we are praying in His will?

Beware of Prayer Poopers (1 John 5:14-15)

- How would you explain the difference between our sinning and our cherishing sins? Read Psalm 66:18, Galatians 5:17 and 1 John 1:9. What additional insights are gained from these verses and how do they apply to our prayer life?
- How does ignoring God's word manifest itself and impact our prayer life? What does it look like? Read Proverbs 28:9 and James 1:22-25. Discuss what these verses are conveying to us about ignoring God's word.
- What are some of the ways self-righteousness can creep into our lives as Christians? How does self-righteousness impede the effectiveness of our prayers? Read Luke 18:9-14. What key lessons are contained in these verses for us to remember?
- What are some of the unique ways we can pray our will, which are really based on selfish motives, and then convince ourselves we are praying God's will?
- Why does God allow really big problems in our lives? How are we to look at prayer in the midst of our problems? What can we learn from the example of the life of Joseph in Genesis as he faced so many problems at an early age that seemed so unfair?