

Sunday, July 11, 2021

Sermon Title:
“Life is Fragile- Handle with Prayer”

Text: Ephesians 6:18-22

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Big Idea: The outcome of spiritual warfare is determined by my handling of God’s Word and my prayer life.

I) Five ways the Bible helps me pray:

- 1) The Bible teaches that when believers pray, God is **delighted**. (Proverbs 15:8 / Psalm 50:13-15/ Romans 8:26)
- 2) The Bible helps us pray by **commanding** it. (1 Thessalonians 5:17 / Colossians 4:2 / Philippians 4:6)
- 3) The Bible helps us pray by connecting prayer to God’s **promises**.
(2 Chronicles 7:14 / Psalm 145:18-19 / John 17:7)
- 4) The Bible helps us pray with Biblical **examples**. (Luke 6:2 / 1 Kings 3:9 / 1 Kings 17)
- 5) The Bible helps us pray by coaching us on the **contents**. (1 John 5:4)

II) Six kinds of prayers that spiritual warfare requires:

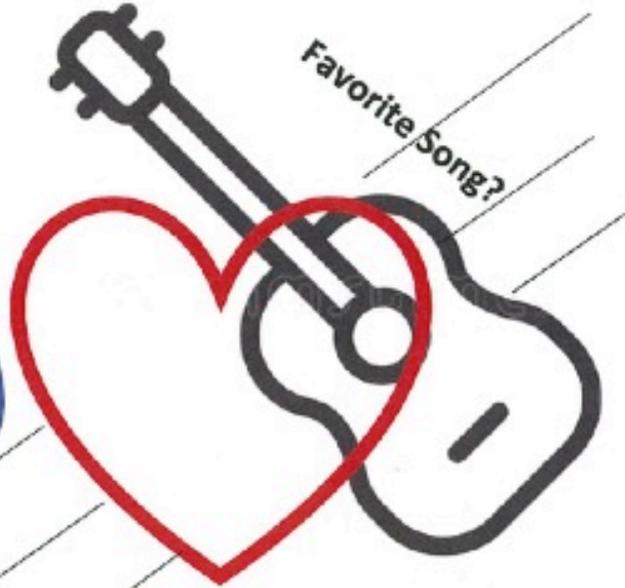
- 1) Spiritual warfare requires “**always**” prayers. (Ephesians 6:18a)
- 2) Spiritual warfare requires “**spirit-led**” prayers. (Ephesians 6:18b)
- 3) Spiritual Warfare requires “**variety**” prayers. (Ephesians 6:18c)
- 4) Spiritual Warfare requires “**alert**” prayers. (Ephesians 6:18d)
- 5) Spiritual Warfare requires “**perseverance**” prayers. (Ephesians. 6:18e)
- 6) Spiritual Warfare requires “**intercessory**” prayers. (Ephesians 6:18f-20)

I best learn to pray effectively by **PRAYING**.

Study/Application Questions and Actions

- What percentage of my average prayer time is aimed at “me”? Why should I intentionally direct more of my prayers toward God?
- In what ways would my prayer life change if I remembered that my sincere prayers cause God’s delight?
- Choose a specific passage of scripture and turn it into a prayer that you speak back to God.
- What Biblical examples of prayer most inspire you to persevere in prayer?
- How could I consistently remember God’s presence with me in prayer? If I did so, in what specific ways would it help me grow closer to God?
- How does intercessory prayer for others actually help me be more effective for the gospel ministry?

SERMON NOTES



What I learned

Today's Bible Verse



My Prayer