

The Prayer of Faith

James 5:13-16

Prayer is our intimate conversation with God. We talk to him and then we listen. The bible encourages us to pray without ceasing. Always be in communication with God, for he never sleeps or slumbers.

Our faith in Him allows us to come boldly to the throne of grace in the time of trouble, no matter the circumstances. We should never be anxious about anything. We should make our requests known unto God for he has given us the reassurance of answered prayer.

James suggests that if we find ourselves sick in our bodies we should call on the elders in the church, and they will anoint us with oil in the name of Jesus, and pray over us.

The prayers of the righteous avail much, so as we entrust our concerns to fervent praying men and women, know that God is listening.

The bible gives us examples of fervent prayers that were answered. One example is when Elijah prayed earnestly for rain during a severe drought, and the evidence of approaching rain was a small cloud on the horizon. Our prayers should be as persistent as Elijah's.

God honors his word so we should always pray his word. Heaven and earth may pass away, but the word of God stands forever.