

Bay City Wesleyan Church -- Bay City, Michigan

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Sunday Morning Worship Celebration 01-21-2024

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Series: Make Room for Jesus
Series Big Idea: We often view prayer as a task or an action we perform. We teach children that it is a way of talking to Jesus and asking God to fulfill our desires. We strive to improve our prayer practices to receive more from God. But what if prayer is more than just a simple act? What if prayer is about creating space for us to know Jesus better and become more like him? What if the primary goal of prayer is to connect with Jesus and develop a stronger relationship with him? How would this change our approach to prayer?
Text: James 5:13-18
Title: What Is Prayer?

James 5:13-18 NET

[13] Is anyone among you suffering? He should pray. Is anyone in good spirits? He should sing praises. [14] Is anyone among you ill? He should summon the elders of the church, and they should pray for him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord. [15] And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick and the Lord will raise him up – and if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. [16] So confess your sins to one another and pray for one another so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great effectiveness. [17] Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed earnestly that it would not rain and there was no rain on the land for three years and six months! [18] Then he prayed again, and the sky gave rain and the land sprouted with a harvest.

Sermon in a Sentence: Holy Spirit, make me a righteous person whose prayers are powerful and effective for the good of the world and the glory of God.

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