

Does Prayer Change the Outcome?

Pastor Jeff Thompson | Luke 11:1-13

Take a few minutes to share in the group about your week. 1. Have you ever seen God answer prayer? What was it?
2. Have someone read aloud Luke 11:1-13. What stands out to you in the text?
3. Have someone read aloud James 4:2b-3. What does it mean to "spend it on your passions"? Give some examples of prayers that someone might pray that do this.
4. What do you think it would mean for you to pray expectantly?
5. A few passages show us God "relenting" or "changing His mind" (Exodus 32, Jonah 3:10). What do you think this means?
6. When have you grown in encountering His presence through praying?
7. Read Matthew 26:36-46. What do you learn about prayer from seeing Jesus' prayer in the garden?
8. What is one thing you can do this week that could you have a deeper life of prayer?
9. We often use the acronym ACTS to guide our prayers. Spend time praying through it now. Adoration – (give praise and glory to God for who He is.)

Additional Resources

Books

The Valley of Vision by Arthur G. Bennett
A Diary of Private Prayer by John Baillie
Every Moment Holy by Douglas Kaine McKelvey

Thanksgiving – (thank the Lord for everything)

Supplication – (ask or petition God for things you need/want.)

Confession – (confess sin to the Lord)

Study Tool

Luke 11:1-13 in the Blue Letter Bible https://www.blueletterbible.org/esv/luk/11/1-13/s_984001