

AN EFFECTIVE PRAYER LIFE

This lesson is from **James 5:16b** - “**The effective** (energeo) (p.p.ptc nsf) (adjectival participle) [meaning energized] **prayer** (deesis/ nsf) [our subject] **of a righteous man can accomplish** (ischuo) (p.a.ind.3ps) (main verb) **much.**”

James used **Elijah’s prayer** as an example of an effective prayer that can accomplish much during a national crisis (Jas.5:17-18) (1 Kings 17:1-7). Elijah was facing a national crisis that shut down the nation’s economy like the Covid-19 did in the U.S.A.

This lesson is applicable to our present national crisis of Cov-19 as well to other Christians living in other parts of the world suffering from the same crisis.

Christians must be taught how to pray effectively to accomplish much. The disciples of Jesus came to Him and ask, “Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples.” (Luke 11:1-4)

<p>This lesson will teach believers how to have the Effective Prayer Life of James 5:16.</p>

The first thing you must be taught about an Effective Prayer Life is proper prayer protocol.

We will use the **acrostic F.A.C.T.S.** to teach how to have an Effective Prayer Life.

F - All prayer must be addressed to the FATHER (Luke 11:1-4)

In the name of Jesus
(John 14:13-14; 16:23-24).

A - You must ASK according to the WILL of GOD (1 John 5:14-15)

By FAITH without doubting.
(James 1:6-8; Matt.14:28-31; 21:21-22; John 15:7).

C - You must CONFESS personal sin before praying.

Mental attitude sins, Sins of tongue, and Overt sins.
(Ps.66:18; James 4:3, 8; 1 John 1:9)

T - Pray with a THANKFUL heart.

For the grace of God
(Eph.5:20; Phil.4:6-6; Col.4:2).

S - Pray in the power of the Indwelling Holy SPIRIT

(Rom.8:26-27; Eph.6:18; Jude 20).