

Prayer Inside and Outside The Assembly
Part 14 - A Barrier to answered prayer- Selfishness -
Honouring Your Wife, Doubting & Being Double Minded

Philippians 2:4 do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others.

James 2:14-20

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1 John 3:17-24

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18 Little children, **let us NOT love with word or with tongue, BUT in deed and truth.**

19 We will **KNOW BY THIS** that we are of the truth, and will assure our heart before Him 20 in whatever our heart condemns us; for God is greater than our heart and knows all things. 21 Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God;

22 and whatever we ask we receive from Him, because we keep His commandments and do the things that are pleasing in His sight.

23 This is His commandment, that we **BELIEVE** in the name of His Son Jesus Christ, **AND love one another**, just as He commanded us.

24 The one who KEEPS His commandments abides in Him, and He in him. We know by THIS that He abides in us, by the Spirit whom He has given us.

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Matthew. 5:20 "For I say to you that **UNLESS** your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will NOT enter the kingdom of heaven.

1 John 5:13 These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

Galatians 5:6. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision means anything, but faith WORKING through love.

*The word 'working' is **ἐνεργουμένη** (energoumenē). We get our word energy from this word.*

1 Corinthians 13:13. But now faith, hope, love, abide these three; but the greatest of these is love.

1 John 5:14-19

14 This is the confidence which we have before Him, that, if we ask anything **ACCORDING to His will**, He hears us.

15 And if we know that He hears us in whatever **we ASK**, we know that we have the requests which we have asked from Him.

16 If anyone sees his brother committing a sin not leading to death, he shall ask and God will for him give life to those who commit sin not leading to death. There is a sin leading to death; I do not say that he should make request for this. 17 All unrighteousness is sin, and there is a sin not leading to death.

18 We know that no one who is born of God sins; but He who was born of God keeps him, and the evil one does not touch him. 19 We know that we are of God, and that the whole world lies in the power of the evil one.

1 Peter 3:7-9

7 You husbands in the same way, live with your wives in an understanding way, as with someone weaker, since she is a woman; **and SHOW HER HONOR as a fellow heir of the grace of life**, so that your prayers will not be hindered.

8 To sum up, all of you be harmonious, sympathetic, brotherly, kindhearted, and humble in spirit; 9 not returning evil for evil or insult for insult, but giving a blessing instead; for you were called for the very purpose that you might inherit a blessing.

James 1:5-8

5 But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him (*singular*) ASK of God, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him (*singular*). 6 But he (*singular*) must ask in faith without any doubting, for the one (*singular*) who doubts is like the surf of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind. 7 For that man (*singular*) ought not to expect that he (*singular*) will receive anything from the Lord, 8 being a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.