
Growing a Faith that Works – A Series in James – Week 12

HEALING PRAYER IN SMALL GROUPS

James 5:13-17

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Introduction: For this last message in the Book of James, I want to continue the theme of healing prayer. Two weeks ago, we started to look at the passage in James on healing prayer, but because this is such a controversial set of verses, I wanted to step back and present the big picture on healing prayer. So having looked at the big picture, I want to dig into the details today. But as we do, please remember our mindset: 1) We believe healing prayer is a process, and God is responsible for the results. 2) We believe God commands us to pray, but the outcome of those prayers is in *his* hands. 3) We believe healing prayer is a mystery, just like worshipping the Triune God is a mystery. But mystery is a good thing, because a healthy apprehension of mystery prompts us to the best kind of worship. My hope today is that some of you might say, “I’d like to learn how to do this.” I also hope that others might say, “At some point, I may need this ministry. And I’m glad to know that Grace is committed to the discipline of healing prayer.”

1. The Pattern

James 5:13-16

2. Practical – A six-step process

3. Ongoing

4. Idea

5. Takeaway