

Powerful Prayers

Sermon Series: Elijah

1 Kings 18:41-46, James 5:17

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SO HE CAN WORK THROUGH YOU**

COME BOLDLY BEFORE THE THRONE

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- ❶ *Effective prayers are HUMBLE prayers.
(1 Kings 18:42)*

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(1 Kings 18:43a-b)*

- ❸ *Effective prayers are PERSISTANT prayers.
(1 Kings 18:43c)*

- ❹ *Effective prayers are EXPECTANT prayers.
(1 Kings 18:44-46)*

REALife Application

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1. After hearing this week's teaching, what would you say to someone who asks you to explain why persistence is an important part of prayer?

2. As you think about your prayer life, can you think of anything you've been persistently praying for?

3. Often we are most persistent in praying for the things in our life that are urgent or time sensitive. What do the following verses suggest are things that often aren't urgent or time sensitive but are nevertheless important enough to require us to be persistently praying for?

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In light of these verses, is there anything you'd like to begin to be more persistent in praying for?

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