

Sermon Discussion Questions for March 3, 2019

Scripture Passage: John 14

Key Verses: 13-14

My Confidence is in the Lord: Confidence that God will answer our prayers “in Jesus name.”

1. What key point stood out to you in the message?
 2. Many of you have access to your place of employment. You have a desk, computer, phone, coffee machine, etc. But, to get into the building you must have a key or electronic card, etc. What is purpose of key? Why does God require access to Him through Jesus? Can we bypass Jesus in our attempts to access the Father with our prayers?
 3. Always remember that God is one but manifests Himself in 3 persons (Father, Son, Holy Spirit). But our access to the Father comes through Jesus. Should we pray specifically to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit? Read and discuss Jesus' instructions on prayer in John 14 verses 12-14. Also read Matthew 6:5-13.
 4. Prior to Jesus' instructions on prayer in verses 12-14, the disciples were confused about the relationship between Jesus and God, the Father (review verses 6-11). How are we adopted into God's family? Can those who are not a part of the family of God pray with confidence? Do non-family members pray and then complain when God supposedly does NOT answer their prayers?
 5. Do all our prayers get answered? Are the outcomes always as we expect? Are some of our prayers selfish? What should be our primary motive in prayer?
 6. Read 1 Peter 3:12. How can we have confidence in prayer? What defines a “righteous” man or woman? Do a word search on prayer (Bible Gateway is a good app to have). Make special note of the various circumstances and attitudes surrounding biblical prayer.
- Remember to pray for each other's unique challenges and commit to pray throughout the week for one another.
 - Love others as Christ loves you.
 - Fill your mind and heart with the gospel of Christ Jesus.
 - Live out the gospel of Christ which calls for radical Love for God and Love for others.

