

Sunday Morning | February 21, 2016

TOUCHING HEAVEN P R A Y E R

PRAYER WORKS

JAMES 5:16 (NLT), "The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and *produces wonderful results.*"

TRUTH: Every prayer you pray is answered by God without exception.

TRUTH: Righteous means right with God.

I. WHAT PRAYER CAN DO (Acts 12:1-19 NLT).

INSIGHT: The Bible declares there is a mind-blowing power in prayer!

THE CHALLENGE: If you are going to pray you ought to believe God can and will do what's impossible for you.

TRUTH: Miracles are what happens when God enters the picture.

TRUTH: Once I wrap my mind around the reality of an all-powerful Creator God everything becomes possible.

II. WHY YOU SHOULD PRAY

TRUTH: Prayer is a relational event (Luke 11:1).

INSIGHT: God has chosen to act by our prayers (Luke 11:13).

Three Bible truths to "I know God CAN, but God just never DOES":

1. When you pray, God hears (1 John 5:14 NIV).
2. God cares when you pray (1 Peter 5:7 LB).
3. When you pray, God answers... every time (Isaiah 55:8 Msg)!

INSIGHT: God answers every prayer but how and when is another matter.

INVITATION: God's gonna work the way God's gonna work... Will you accept His will (Proverbs 3:5-6)? Prayer won't work for you till you can say: "God, what You want is what I want. Take my impossible situation and do Your will!"