Pray without Ceasing

James 5:13-20 Pastor Greg Wilson

First Thessalonians 5:17

1. When we are suffering, we are to pray

- 2 Corinthians 1:3-5, 12:7-10
- Christians and non-Christians alike suffer from the effects of the curse
- Christians have the advantage of a God who hears our prayers

2. When we are cheerful, we are to offer a prayer of praise

- Deuteronomy 3:24, First Samuel 2:1-2, Psalms 86:8-10
- Praise is always the appropriate response to God's blessings

3. When we are sick, we are to ask for prayer

- John 9:1-3, 11:4
- There is no healing outside of God, and our confidence should be in Him

4. When we are sinful, we are to pray a prayer of confession

- If your sin is personal, it can be dealt with personally
- If your sin is private, it must be dealt with privately
- If your sin is public, it must be dealt with publicly
- 1 Timothy 5:17-20

5. When we pray, God works

- God ordains the ends and the means to those ends
- Galatians 6:1
- Matthew 18:5

The Sovereign God works through our prayers to do amazing things