

## 40 Days of Prayer – Praying in Faith

Mark 11:20-24 As they were passing by in the morning, they saw the fig tree withered from the roots *up*. 21 Being reminded, Peter \*said to Him, “Rabbi, look, the fig tree which You cursed has withered.” 22 And Jesus answered saying to them, “Have faith in God. 23 Truly I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, ‘Be taken up and cast into the sea,’ and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says is going to happen, it will be *granted* him. 24 Therefore I say to you, all things for which you pray and ask, believe that you have received them, and they will be *granted* you.”

Last week’s key verse:

- John 15:7 “If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish and it will be given you.”

This week’s key verse:

- 1 Peter 5:7 Cast all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.”

### 1. Praying in Faith means we trust God and His Word.

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Matthew 21:22 And all things you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive.”

### 2. Praying in Faith means we seek God and His Will.

Mark 11:22 And Jesus answered saying to them, “Have faith in God.”

2 Corinthians 12:8-9 Concerning this I implored the Lord three times that it might leave me. 9 And He has said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is perfected in weakness.”

1 John 5:14-15 This is the confidence which we have before Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. 15 And if we know that He hears us *in* whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests which we have asked from Him.

- Our first prayer shouldn’t be to move the mountain.
- Our first prayer should be to discern whether God wants the mountain to be removed.
- James 1:5-8 But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him. 6 But he must ask in faith without any doubting, for the one who doubts is like the surf of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind. 7 For that man ought not to expect that he will

receive anything from the Lord, & *being* a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

**3. Praying in Faith means we submit to God and His Sovereignty.**

Mark 11:22 And Jesus answered saying to them, "Have faith in God."

John 15:8 My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit, and *so* prove to be My disciples.

Matthew 6:9-10 Our Father who is in heaven, hallowed be Your name. 10 Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

**4. Praying in Faith means we wait upon God and His Answer.**

Three ways God answers prayer...

Matthew 7:7-8 Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. 8 For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.

What mountain moving prayer do you believe God wants you to pray?