

## Sermon Questions James Chapter 5 "Power of Prayer" 5/14/2023

- 1. Why are we tempted to think of prayer as a last resort when approaching a challenge?
- 2. Have you ever had hands laid on you for a prayer for healing while you were sick or have you ever been anointed with oil during prayer? Was it effective?
- 3. Is the anointing of oil mentioned in James 5:14 a cultural activity from historical times, or should it still be practiced by the church today?
- 4. Have you ever confessed sins to another believer? If so, how did the other believer respond?
- 5. When the thought of confessing your sins to another or asking an elder for prayer comes to mind, how do you decide who is trustworthy?
- 6. Do you think the Catholic church offers a better model for repentance to a priest; or do you think confession to a fellow brother/sister is a better? Or are they simply different?
- 7. James refers to Elijah as an example for us. Elijah did many miracles including raising someone from the dead and calling down fire from heaven. In what ways would you say that we are like the prophet Elijah?
- 8. How has reading through book of James or the sermon series this spring impacted you personally?