Description

— Much of what we believe about prayer is wrong! At least that is the way it seems when the prayer life of the average believer is compared to the teaching on prayer we read in the Bible. Moses knew the truth about prayer, and it changed his life (and the lives of those around him). From an interesting account in Exodus 17 we learn five surprising but critical truths about prayer.

Surprising Truths About Prayer

I. God responds to prayer.

— Daniel 10:12 | "Don't be afraid, Daniel," he said to me, "for from the first day that you purposed to understand and to humble yourself before your God, your prayers were heard. I have come because of your prayers. (CSB)

— James 4:2 | You desire and do not have. You murder and covet and cannot obtain. You fight and wage war. You do not have because you do not ask. (CSB)

- Psalm 118:5 | I called to the LORD in distress; the LORD answered me and put me in a spacious place. (CSB)

II. Sometimes we need to quit working and just pray.

- **Zechariah 4:6** | So he answered me, "This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel: 'Not by strength or by might, but by my Spirit,' says the LORD of Armies. (CSB)

III. Prayer is a labor we work, not just words we recite.

IV. We need people to help us pray.

V. Those in the battle need to know of those on their knees.

- **1 Samuel 12:23** | "As for me, I vow that I will not sin against the LORD by ceasing to pray for you. I will teach you the good and right way. (CSB)