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AN OUTLINE FOR TODAY'S SERMON

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THE POWERFUL PRAYERS OF SINNERS SAVED BY GRACE

James 5:16b-18

I. Doctrine: Church Saints Move God to Action through Fer-

vently _____ Prayers

A. –The Pray-ers Need *Not* be _____ (in them-
selves) . . . , (Jas. 5:17a)

B. . . . But they *Must* be _____ (in their Desires),
(Jas. 5:17b-18)

**II. What is _____ for Sinners' Prayers to be An-
swered, vv. 16b-18**

A. –The Fallen Pray-er Must be _____ through
Faith in Christ, v. 16b

B. –The Fallen Pray-er Must _____ Above himself—
all the way to God, v. 17

C. –The Fallen Pray-er Must have The *Lord's* Gracious
_____ in Mind, v. 18

**III. Why our Prayers Do Not _____ Seem to be An-
swered**

A. –Because we Do Not _____ the Object of our Peti-
tions Wholeheartedly *Enough* . . . , (Jas. 5:16b)

B. . . . Or, our Requests Do Not _____ What is *Good* for
us, and *Glorifying to God*, (Jas. 5:17-18)

Key Verse—v. 17: "*Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed earnestly that it would not rain; and it did not rain on the land for three years and six months.*"

NOTES & APPLICATIONS:

Aim: *To Pray Earnestly and Fervently*—as the church of Christ