

## **Why and How to Pray**

*James 4: 1-12*

*"Come near to God and He will come near to you." James 4: 8*

### **1 Fake Prayer**

- Does not ask God
- Does not ask with right motives
- Masks pride and serves self

### **2 Christ-like Prayer**

- 1 Submits to God
- 2 Comes close to God
- 3 Purifies from personal sin
- 4 Blesses rather than judges

*James 5: 7- 20*

*"The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." James 5: 16*

### **1 Patient Prayer**

### **2 Practiced Prayer**

- In trouble?
- Happy?
- Sick?
- Sin?

### **3 Powerful Prayer**