

“What Hinders Prayer?” Part 10

Text: James 4:3

Lastly, God tells us that self indulgence will cause our prayers to not be heard. This is completely self-centered prayer. Prayer that only seeks to get, get, get from God and not worship and communicate with Him; it not prayer at all!

It is a very easy trap to fall into. Many times, we have trouble sorting out our needs from our wants. Most of the time, our “wanters” are bigger that they should be. We need to focus our prayers not on our selfish desires, but on God and all He has done for us and keeping our relationship right with Him.

Now it is not wrong to let your requested be made know. Any yes, we have not because we ask not; however, many times, our prayers never get heard because all we do it ask for things selfishly.

Lord, keep us from focusing our prayers on our wants. Help us to focus our prayers on worshipping and communicating with you and on interceding on the behalf of others. May you help us strive to keep these things out of our life that would cause you to not listen to our prayers. Without our prayer life, we know we could not make it because we would be living our life without You!