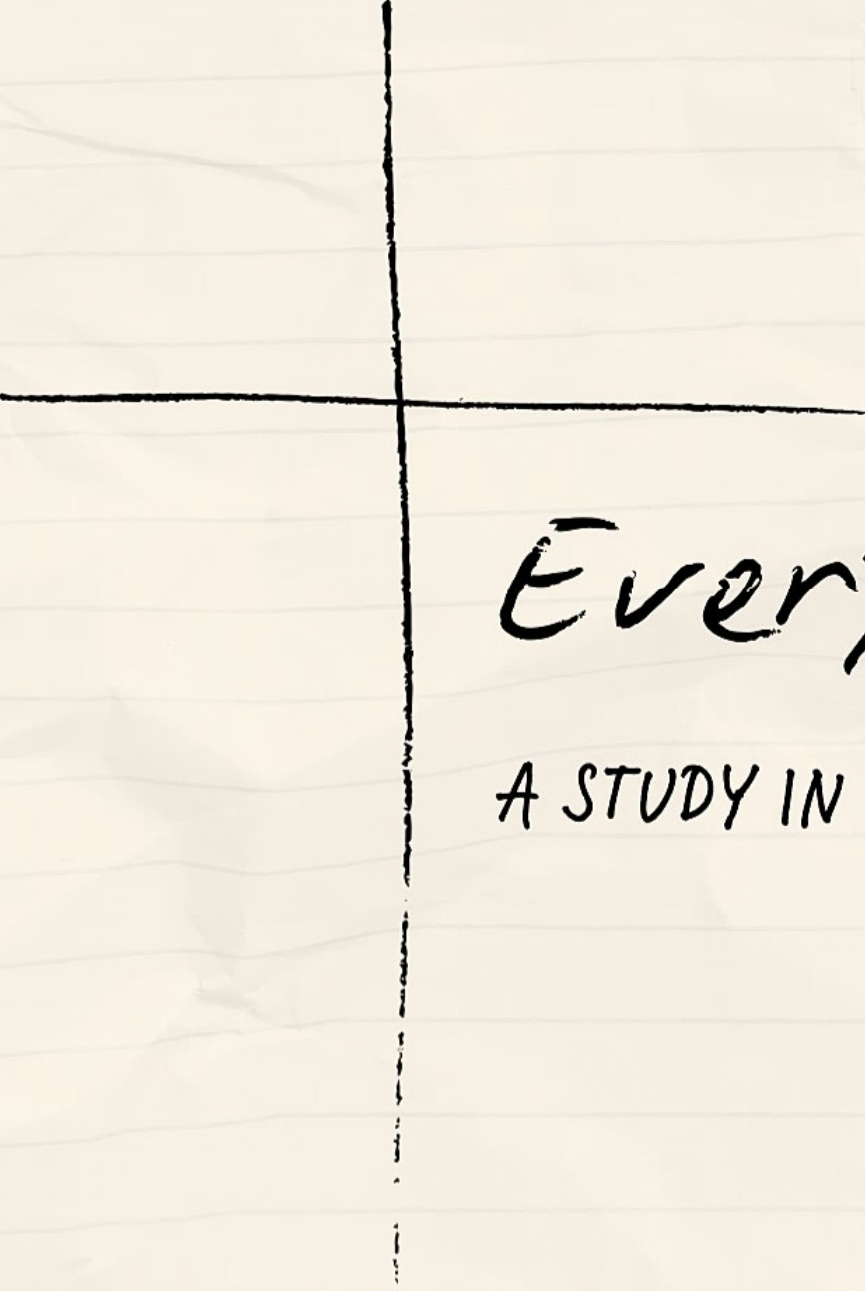




Every Day Faith

A STUDY IN JAMES

James 5:13-14a

Is anyone among you suffering? Then he must **pray**. Is anyone cheerful? He is to **sing praises**. Is anyone among you sick? Then he must call for the elders of the church and they are to **pray** over him,

James 5:14b-15

anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; and the **prayer** offered in faith will restore the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up, and if he has committed sins, they will be forgiven him.

James 5:16

Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and **pray** for one another so that you may be healed.

The effective **prayer** of a righteous man can accomplish much.

James 5:17

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 earth for three years and six months.

James 5:18

Then he **prayed** again, and the sky poured rain and
the earth produced its fruit.

James 5:19-20

My brethren, if any among you strays from the truth and one turns him back, let him know that he who turns a sinner from the error of his way will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

3. Prayer

James 5:13-14a

Is anyone among you suffering? Then he must pray. Is anyone cheerful? He is to sing praises.

A. Prayer is simply ongoing communication
with our Father

1 Thess 5:16-18

Rejoice always; pray without ceasing; in everything
give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ
Jesus.

Phil 4:6

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer
and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests
be made known to God.

Prayer should be our first response
not our last resort

James 5:14-15

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B. It is an exercise of your faith to ask
for prayer by the elders.

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Isa 53:5

But he was pierced for our transgressions,
he was crushed for our iniquities;
the punishment that brought us peace was upon him,
and by his wounds we are healed.

The prayer of faith is a faith, not in a particular outcome but in the God of all outcomes.

C. There can be a connection between sin and sickness.

James 5:15b

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Ps 66:18

If I regard wickedness in my heart,
The Lord will not hear;

Without a perceived need
we will not pray

When we work...we work
When we pray...God works!