

# How might God work through our lives to do "greater works" for His glory?

- A. We must BELIEVE in Jesus. (vv. 7-11)
- B. We must PRAY. (vv. 13-15)

## 1. We must pray in His name. (vv.13-14)

\*To pray "in His name" is to come humbly before God knowing that Jesus is the only means whereby we have access to a holy God.

\*To pray in Jesus' name is also to pray consistent with His character, purpose, and will.

# 2. We must pray for His glory. (v.13)

#### James 4:3

You ask and do not receive, because you ask with the wrong motives, so that you may spend it on your pleasures.

#### Luke 22:42

Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from Me; yet not My will, but Yours be done. \*God is often glorified in our challenges, struggles, and difficulties as He reveals Himself and His greatness in the midst of such trials.

## 3. We must pray motivated by love. (v.15)

\*The secret to prevailing, powerful prayer is in our LOVE for Jesus - and the fruit of that love is our obedience to His commands.

### 1 John 3:21-22

Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and whatever we ask we receive from Him, because we keep HIs commandments and do the things that are pleasing in His sight.

\*When I am not walking with God and "keeping" His commandments as fruit of my love for Him then I have no grounds for confidence in my prayer life.

### John 14:16-17

I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever; that is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him because He abides with you and will be in you.



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