

## Continued from last week on PRAYER...

## 1. An Upside-Down Church prays BOLD prayers.

Acts 4:31 - And when they had prayed, the place where they were assembled together was shaken; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they spoke the word of God with boldness.

Prayer requires more of the <u>heart</u> than of the tongue.

- Acts 12:5 Peter was therefore kept in prison, but constant prayer was offered to God for him by the church.
- 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 land for three years and six months.
- Ezra 10:1 Now while Ezra was praying, and while he was confessing, weeping, and bowing down before the house of God, a very large assembly of men, women, and children gathered to him from Israel; for the people wept very bitterly.

"If Christians spent as much time praying as they do grumbling, they would soon have nothing to grumble about." -Anonymous

What are some next steps for Flat Rock in prayer?

## 2. An Upside-Down Church SERVES. - Doing Life Together.

Acts 2:44-45 - Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common, 45 and sold their possessions and goods, and divided them among all, as anyone had need.

## WE is always better than ME.

- Acts 4:32-35 Now the multitude of those who believed were of one heart and one soul; neither did anyone say that any of the things he possessed was his own, but they had all things in common. And with great power the apostles gave witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And great grace was upon them all. Nor was there anyone among them who lacked; for all who were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the proceeds of the things that were sold, and laid them at the apostles' feet; and they distributed to each as anyone had need.
  - Shared generosity
  - · Shared meals