

THE UPSIDE

The Extraordinary
Power of Perseverance

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THE PRAYER OF FAITH
Discussion Guide

BIG IDEA

Winston Churchill said that “Success is not final; failure is not fatal: It is the courage to continue that counts.” In today’s sermon, Pastor Daniel Floyd teaches us about creating the habits of faith and provides practical tips to have faith that perseveres.

SCRIPTURES USED IN THE MESSAGE

- James 5:13-20
- 1 Kings 17:1, 18:41-46
- Romans 3:10, 10:17 (NKJV)
- Joshua 24:15
- Matthew 19:26

TALK IT OVER

Choose questions that keep the discussion moving. No need to discuss every question.

- Would you consider yourself a creature of habit? What are some habits that you have? What habits do you want to start?
- How can you learn to trust God enough to confess your sins to others? Do you trust God’s ability to work in them to keep your confessions confidential?
- What does it mean to “come boldly before the throne of God”? What excuses have you given for why you don’t pray?
- What things help build your faith? Which ones are not routine in your life? How will you incorporate them into your daily habits?

APPLICATION IDEAS

- Based on a current situation in your life, find an applicable scripture (Word) to attach your faith to. Write it down and attach it somewhere you will see it daily.

PRAYER FOCUS

At Lifepoint, we pray until something happens. Make time in every group meeting to pray for one another and the larger matters of concern to your group.

- Read over the scripture you identified in the Application Focus section and pray over that area throughout the week. Create the habit of attaching your faith to the Word of God.

LEADER TIPS

- Describe a time in your life when the power of prayer was demonstrated. Use your testimony to build the faith of those in your small group.