

Emmanuel Prayer List - January

Ministry in Niger - Ron Gerwing

- Pray that the people of Niger will persevere and come out of this difficult time victorious in keeping all oppressors out and with the hand of God create a better country and life for their children and their children's children.
- The junta government has been oppressed for 125 years and kept the people poor and starving.
- Pray that the citizens can overcome and create and build their country
- Ron needs prayer to go to Zimbabwe in November for an agricultural course. When the Niger border is open Ron would return and teach the people what he has learned to end food insecurity.

Study Continued

7. Read John 9:1-3. How does God use our suffering for His glory?

8. Pastor Peter finished with a statement from William Sangster after he was diagnosed with progressive muscular atrophy. He said:

1. I will never complain
2. I will keep the home bright
3. I will count my blessings
4. I will try to turn it to gain

How can we make this happen in our lives?

(Also read Philippians 2:14-16a.)



BECOMING MEN AND WOMEN OF GOD

“For a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that your faith - which is of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire, may be proved genuine, and result in praise, glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed.

1 Peter 1:6-7



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Becoming Men and Women of God - 1 Kings 17:1-7

God's plan for our life:

SEEING GOD'S HAND IN HARDSHIP

Background:

Elijah

1. A man of _____ (Deut 11:16-17)
2. A man of _____ (James 5:17)
3. A man who was _____ (1 Kings 17:5)
4. A man of _____

1 Kings 17:2 Leave here, turn eastward and _____.

God's purpose in hiding Elijah

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John 16:7

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v1. Elijah the _____ v.24 Elijah is called a _____

CHOOSE TO LIVE LIFE IN VICTORY

v.7 Some time later the _____ because there had been no rain in the land.

1. See _____ in your hardship

1 Peter 1:6-7

2. Choose to live in _____

1. Read 1 Kings 17:1. (Also read Deuteronomy 11:16-17). Elijah knew what God had said would be the consequences of turning away from God. Elijah was also a man of prayer (Read James 5:17-18), and so he prayed for God to step in to what was going on in Israel. How can we pray, using the Word of God as part of our prayers?

How does this help our prayer life?

2. Read 1 Kings 17:2-3 and Ephesians 6:10-18. One of the purposes in having Elijah hide, was to protect him from Ahab and Jezebel. How does God protect us from the attacks of the enemy?

3. Elijah had water to drink from the brook, and God had ravens provide him with food. What have been some of the ways that God has provided for you when you've been in a difficult situation? (Also read John 16:1-7)

4. Read Romans 8:28-29. What do these verses say about how God uses the circumstances in our life?

5. 1 Kings 17:7 says that some time later... the brook dried up. What do you think was going through Elijah's mind as the brook dried up?

When things are going wrong in your life, even though you are endeavouring to be faithful to God, what can you do to make sure that you continue to trust Him, and not walk away from God?

6. 1 Peter 1:6-7 refers to how God uses suffering and trials in our life. How have you seen God use suffering? How do we know that our faith is "genuine?" How does the way you deal with trials affect others, especially your family?