

**Memory Verse:** James 5:16

**Ice-breaker:** Describe a time in which prayer made a difference in your life.

**Read James 5:1-11**

- 1. Make a list and discuss all the aspects of prayer that you see James touching on in this section.
- 2. What have you experienced in your life and in those around you as a typical response to times of trouble?
- 3. What do you see Psalm 30, 50:15 and 91:5 saying about responding to trouble?
- 4. Describe how singing and praying can be one and the same. (See 1 Corinthians 14:15; Ephesians 5:19; Colossians 3:16)
- 5. How would you desire to apply verse 14, anointing and prayer for the sick in the context of your small group or close circle of friends/family?
- 6. How do you strike a balance between your faith (which is a gift from God – Ephesians 2:8) and God's plan for your life? (v.15)
- 7. Why do you think the Lord, through James, is asking you and me to be a confessing community?
- 8. According to the following references, think about what you believe truth is: John 3:21; 8:31-32; 16:13; 18:37; Galatians 5:7; Ephesians 4:15; 2 Thessalonians 2:10; 1 John 3:18-19.
- 9. Create a loving scenario working on bringing a friend back from a departure of the faith.
- 10. What has this study of the Book of James reminded you of or opened your heart and mind to?

**Announcements.**

**CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT** Friday, Dec 3, 5-8pm

Kick off the Christmas season at this free festive evening for your family and friends complete with camels, pony rides and a petting zoo! At 6:30pm, enjoy the retelling of the Christmas story and join in as we sing community carols led by live musicians. Invite a friend!

**TOYS FOR HOPE** - We are teaming up again with our partners, Hope Leadership Academy, for their Toys for Hope Drive to impact families in need this Christmas! Thank you to all who have donated toys and volunteered in years past! Let's bless San Diego families in need with some extra love.

Please drop off new, unwrapped toys in the foyer before Dec. 10th.

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