Emmanuel Prayer List - January

Youth at Emmanuel - Fusion, Surge

- Our youth will make a sincere commitment to be followers of Jesus
- They will be protected from the many dangers and temptations which could lead them away from the Lord.
- These young people will be excited to tell friends and invite them to the youth programs at church.

Study Continued

8. Read Acts 4:13-18. Read again verse 13. There was something about Peter and John that these religious leaders found astonishing. What was it?

Do people in the world take note that we have been with Jesus?

9. Read Acts 4:19-22. Why do you think Peter said, "We cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard."

What things in your life do you find it easy to talk about? How can you add Jesus to that list?

- 10. 2 Corinthians 3:12. Pastor Peter said that Courage comes from having a relationship with Jesus that is so deep that you trust Him with every aspect of your life. This relationship develops into a commitment to be obedient to Christ in everything, because you know that that is the only way to truly live and be fulfilled. Then, when we need Jesus to empower us to do something for Him, we are filled with the Holy Spirit, who enables us do His will. What is your level of relationship and commitment to Christ?
- 10. Read Acts 4:23-31. What was the main purpose of their prayer? What was the result? How can this prayer be a model for us?

WHAT'S ON?

Today. Pizza Party for Sunday School children, families & volunteers After the service - downstairs. No charge.
Tonight: Bible Study - 6.30pm - Book of Galatians.
Wednesday
Bible study - 1.30pm Continuing our study in the Gospel of Mark.
Children (Awana) - 6.30pm
Jr High (Fusion) and Senior High (Surge) - 6.30pm
Jan 29th. Hospitality Sunday. Invite someone to your home for lunch.
Feb 5th. Newcomers Lunch - After the service, in the library.

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disciples making DISCIPLES



"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20

- 1. Go in the power of the Spirit Acts 1-2
- 2. Give what you have Acts 3
- 3. Live with courage Acts 4
- 4. Be led by the Spirit Acts 8
- 5. The harvest is plentiful Acts 10
- 6. Don't leave them alone Acts 11
- 7. Live your calling Acts 13
- 8. Your circumstances are God's megaphone Acts 28

Live with Courage - Acts 4

A witness =

RELATIONSHIP

Background:

God has chosen to use _____ people (1 Cor 1:26-27)

v.8 Then Peter, _____, said to them...

The infilling of the Holy Spirit:

2 Cor 4:7 We have this treasure in ______, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us.

v.13 When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realised that they were unschooled ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had

COMMITMENT

v.14-18

Jesus' warning (Matt 24:9):

Commitment =

COURAGE

v.19-20 Peter & John replied, "Judge for yourselves which is right in God's

eyes to obey you rather than God, for _____

_____ about what we have seen and heard."

v.29 Lord now consider their threats and _____ you servants to speak your word with great boldness.

What happened after they had prayed?

- 1. If you want to tell a friend or neighbour about Jesus. Do you find it scary? If you answered yes, what makes it so hard?
- 2. Read Acts 4:1-7. Imagine you were in the shoes of Peter or John. You've just been brought before the most important people in Israel (apart from the Romans), for being used by God to heal a lame man, and then teaching the people about Jesus. These are the same people who were responsible for the crucifixion of Jesus. What is going through your mind?
- 3. Read 1 Corinthians 1:26-27. Why do you think that God chooses to use ordinary people? What advantage do ordinary people have over the rich, the wise and the influential?

4. Read Acts 1:8. What is a witness?

5. Read Acts 4:8-12. This passage begins with, "Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them..." Everyone who has put their trust in Christ as their Saviour has the Holy Spirit within them. However, the book of Acts gives a number of occasions when Peter, along with others, were filled with the Holy Spirit (2:4; 4:8; 4:31; 10:44). In fact, Ephesians 5:18 commands us to be filled with the Holy Spirit. Obviously, it is God who does the infilling, but since it is also a command, what must be our part in this?

- 6. Being a witness isn't just telling people about Jesus. To be a true witness, our life must also reflect that of Christ's. Why is it important that our life and words match up? Do they match up in your life? What should we do if they don't?
- 7. Read 2 Corinthians 4:7-12. We need courage to speak up, but we also need courage to live a Christlike life. Whether it be to withstand the hardships, and difficulties, of life, or the courage to face the day, when everything is falling apart. This passage begins with, "We have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us." What does that phrase mean?