Sunday Morning | October 29, 2017



PRAYER: CHANGES OUR LIVES/CHANGES OUR WORLD

MARK 11:12-17 (NASV)

I. NOTHING BUT LEAVES

TRUTH: The tree had leaves but no fruit, and the Temple had crowds but no worship, no prayer!

II. FOUR REASONS FOR PRAYER

TRUTH: When most people hear the word prayer, they think boring duty.

The reasons for prayer Jesus gave:

1. Prayer is dedication (John 15:5).

TRUTH: Prayer is your connection to heaven. When you fail to pray, your life fails of the help of heaven, the blessing of heaven and the guidance of heaven.

2. Prayer is communication (John 15:15).

INSIGHT: If we follow Christ, God says we can ask Him for anything in prayer because we are His friends!

3. Prayer is supplication (Philippians 4:6; John 16:24).

INSIGHT: Prayer is the pathway to peace of mind (James 4:2).

*How to know your prayers will be heard:

- a) Psalm 145:15
- b) Psalm 37:4

LASTLY:

4. Prayer is cooperation.

TRUTH: God has chosen to limit His work in this world to the prayers of His church (John 14:12-13).

TRUTH: There is no defense system against the prayers of God's people!