

Intercessory prayer - When someone's stuck

<p>1 John 5:14-16 This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us.¹⁵ And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him. ¹⁶ If you see any brother or sister commit a sin that does not lead to death, you should pray and God will give them life. I refer to those whose sin does not lead to death. There is a sin that leads to death. I am not saying that you should pray about that. ¹⁷ All wrongdoing is sin, and there is sin that does not lead to death.</p>	<p>Ask...he hears...he acts If according to his will</p> <p>Anyone caught in sin...pray... ...God will give them life</p>
<p>James 5:15-20 ..the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick and the Lord will raise him up—and if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. ¹⁶ So confess your sins to one another and pray for one another so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great effectiveness. ¹⁷ Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed earnestly that it would not rain and there was no rain on the land for three years and six months! ¹⁸ Then he prayed again, and the sky gave rain and the land sprouted with a harvest. ¹⁹ My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone turns him back, ²⁰ he should know that the one who turns a sinner back from his wandering path will save that person's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.</p>	<p>Prayer of faith rescues the sick & provides grace</p> <p>So, confess your sins & pray for one another so you can be healed.</p> <p>Prayer is very effective:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For discipline • For restoration <p>If any wanders from the truth and is turned back (<i>implied – through prayer</i>) it rescues them from error and covers many sins.</p>
<p>1 Samuel 12:23 ... far be it from me to sin against the Lord by ceasing to pray for you!</p>	<p>It is a sin against God to not pray for rebellious people.</p>
<p>2 Timothy 2:23-26 But reject foolish and ignorant controversies, because you know they breed infighting. ²⁴ And the Lord's slave must not engage in heated disputes but be kind toward all, an apt teacher, patient, ²⁵ correcting opponents with gentleness. Perhaps God will grant them repentance and then knowledge of the truth ²⁶ and they will come to their senses and escape the devil's trap where they are held captive to do his will.</p>	<p>Satan holds people captive to do his will.</p>
<p>Ephesians 6:17-18 take <i>the helmet of salvation</i> and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. ¹⁸ With every prayer and petition, pray at all times in the Spirit, and to this end be alert, with all perseverance and requests for all the saints.</p>	<p>Our only weapon against Satan is the use of God's word in prayer for each other.</p>
<p>Luke 22:31-32 Satan has demanded to have you all, to sift you like wheat, ³² but I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail. When you have turned back, strengthen your brothers.”</p>	<p>Satan demanded the right to test the disciples but Christ prayed their faith wouldn't fail & that Peter would help strengthen the others.</p>