

Confidence in Prayer

1st John 5:14-17

(series #25)

Intro: the mystery between God's sovereignty & prayer
- Psalm 115:3, Ephesians 1:11

- James 5:16

I. **The Statement About Prayer vv. 14-15**

A. The similarity to John 14:13-14

1. "In My name"

2. "that the Father may be glorified"

B. The connection with 1st John 3:22

1. The importance of loving others

2. 1st Peter 3:7

C. The perspective from Matthew 7:7-10

1. Making requests is appropriate

2. God gives only what is truly good

II. **The Specific Application of Prayer vv. 16-17**

A. Sinning unto death v. 16

- Acts 5, 1st Cor. 11, James 5:20

B. All unrighteousness is sin v. 17

C. A specific example from Acts 5:1-11

Conclusion: the importance of praying for one another