

A scenic landscape featuring a calm lake in the foreground, a dense forest of green trees in the middle ground, and a range of rugged, rocky mountains in the background under a clear blue sky. The water in the lake reflects the surrounding scenery.

Welcome to Worship

Sanford church of Christ

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We Can Hear You Now



Prayer throughout Scripture



Times when God forbade Jeremiah to Pray

- Jeremiah 7:16 (ESV) (16 “As for you, do not pray for this people, or lift up a cry or prayer for them, and do not intercede with me, for I will not hear you.)
- Jeremiah 11:14 (ESV) (14 “Therefore do not pray for this people, or lift up a cry or prayer on their behalf, for I will not listen when they call to me in the time of their trouble.)
- Jeremiah 14:11 – 12 (ESV) (11 The LORD said to me: “Do not pray for the welfare of this people. 12 Though they fast, I will not hear their cry, and though they offer burnt offering and grain offering, I will not accept them. But I will consume them by the sword, by famine, and by pestilence.”)

(1) Behold, the LORD's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save, or his ear dull, that it cannot hear; (2) but your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God, and your sins have hidden his face from you so that he does not hear.

Isaiah 59:1-2 (ESV)



**Is God hearing my
prayers?**

What makes for an effective prayer life?

- **Consecrated in Christ**
 - James 5:13 – 18
 - James 1:12
 - Ephesians 1:3
 - James 4:3 – 10

What makes for an effective prayer life?

- Consecrated in Christ
- **Confident**
 - James 1:5 – 8
 - James 1:16 – 17
 - Hebrews 4:16
 - James 5:13 – 18

What makes for an effective prayer life?

- Consecrated in Christ
- Confident
- **Consistent**
 - James 5:13 – 18
 - 1 Thessalonians 5:16 – 18
 - 1 Timothy 2:8
 - Luke 18:1 – 8



**Is God hearing your
prayers?**