

SERMON OUTLINE John 14:10-14

Greater Works and Answered Prayers

YOU WILL DO MY WORKS AND GREATER STILL (10-12)

1. *Jesus Did Marvelous Works*
2. *Whoever Believes in Him*
3. *Will Do Those Works*
4. *And Even Greater Works*
5. *Because Jesus Went to the Father*

YOU WILL RECEIVE WHATEVER YOU ASK IN MY NAME (13-14)

1. *Whatever You Ask*
2. *In My Name*
3. *Will Do*
4. *For the Father's Glory*

SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

MAIN POINT

The big idea in this passage is that on account of being one with the Father, on account of His sacrificial death being accepted by the Father, and for the Father's glory, Jesus' followers will do marvelous works and have our prayers answered. Consequently, the main takeaways are for all of God's people to courageously obey Jesus and pray expectantly to Jesus.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What were your thoughts on the text/sermon? What most stood out? How was it helpful? Confusing?
2. Which of the works of Jesus described in John's Gospel is most impressive to you? Why?
3. Do you believe in Jesus? How do you know?
4. Which of Jesus' works are most natural for you to do? Which are least natural? Why do you think that is?
5. What comes to mind when you consider Jesus' promise that those who believe in Him will do greater works than Him?
6. Had you ever considered how much greater New Covenant ministry is than Old Covenant ministry? Which of the three ways mentioned by Pastor Dave (victory won, indwelling of the Spirit, gentile inclusion) seems most clearly "greater"?
7. What do you usually pray for?
8. How have you found Jesus' promise in John 14:14 to be true? Can you name any specific answers to prayer?
9. Is it easy for you to see how Acts 4 is an example of Jesus keeping His promise?
10. In what ways did the sermon help you see the greatness of God?

AREAS OF APPLICATION

11. What is one thing you have done or intend to do differently as a result of this text/sermon?
12. Identify one of Jesus' works, ask for Jesus' help to obey it, and obey in faith for the glory of God and belief of someone else.
13. Find a way to strengthen your prayer life. Pray God's Word. Start keeping a prayer journal. Focus your prayers on specific acts of obedience. Find a prayer partner. Focus on God's promises.
14. Spend some time meditating on John 16:7-9 and Acts 4 and their relationship to Jesus' promises in our passage.
15. Ask two different people in your family or DG (1) One thing they got from this sermon, and (2) How you can pray for them.
16. Ask God to show you one specific thing you ought to do differently as a result of this text or sermon? Share that and pray about it with someone in your DG. Continue praying for and checking in with each other until you've both done it.

PRAYER POINTS

17. Adoration. Praise God for being omnipotent. Praise God for being victorious in all ways. Praise God for sovereignly answering every prayer according to His will. Praise God that He is Triune in nature. Praise God that He is infinitely glorious.
18. Confess. Confess your sins of unbelief. Confess your works that are not consistent with Jesus' works. Confess your prayers for something other than the glory of God and asked for in a name other than Jesus'.
19. Thanksgiving. Thank God including you in Jesus' victory through belief. Thank God for answering your prayers in Jesus' name. Thank God for His unending grace for His people. Thank God for a church that longs to dependently obey Jesus.
20. Supplication. Ask God to help us do the works of Jesus. Ask God to help us trust in Him with all our hearts. Ask God to help someone you love to believe in Jesus. Ask God to cause our obedience lead to the belief of others. Ask God to answer our prayers in such a way as to strengthen our church and glorify His name.