

# Organic Disciples



## SERMON NOTES

January 19, 2025

Speaker: Dr. Brian Bennett

### “Passionate Prayer”

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Passionate was a \_\_\_\_\_ and like \_\_\_\_\_ for Jesus.

[Luke 11:1-13; 1 Thessalonians 5:17]

#### A few tips to get started:

- Just P.R.A.Y.:
  - P.: \_\_\_\_\_
  - R.: \_\_\_\_\_
  - A.: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Y.: \_\_\_\_\_
- Make it \_\_\_\_\_.
- Make sure it isn't about \_\_\_\_\_.
- Pray for people, with people, by faith, and according to \_\_\_\_\_.

Passionate prayer \_\_\_\_\_ us to receive God's \_\_\_\_\_.

[Ephesians 3:14-21]

#### Next Step Questions:

- Will you finish our fast this next 7-days with passionate prayer?
- Will you bring your prayers for 2025 to our “prayer boards” this morning?
- Will you join a “prayer circle” (a group of 4-8) to pray together today?

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How is God at work in and around your life?

**1. Passionate Prayer Changes our World:**

- How does the sermon define "passionate prayer," and why is it considered essential for a Christian's life? How does it change our world?
- In what ways did Jesus model passionate prayer for us in the Gospels?

**2. The Role of the Holy Spirit in Prayer:**

- Read Luke 24:44-47. Jesus' passionate prayer led to the curtain being torn in two and our access to the Holy Spirit given (further study Hebrews 10:19-22).
- Reflect on the quote by A.W. Tozer: "The Holy Spirit never enters a man and then lets him live like the world." How does this relate to the practice of prayer?
- How can we ensure that our prayers are led by the Holy Spirit rather than our own desires?

**3. Practical Steps in Prayer:**

- Read Luke 11:1-14. How did Jesus teach us to pray?
- Discuss the P.R.A.Y. method (Praise, Repent, Ask, Yield) mentioned in the sermon. How can this simple method enhance our prayer life?
- What are some practical ways to make prayer a conversational and non-performance-based practice?

**4. Community and Prayer:**

- How does the sermon emphasize the importance of praying with and for others within the church community?
- What role does the prayer team at Pathway play in fostering a culture of prayer within the church? How could you participate? See opportunities here: [www.pathwayvb.com/prayerteam](http://www.pathwayvb.com/prayerteam)

**5. Experiencing God's Abundance:**

- According to Ephesians 3:14-21, how does passionate prayer reposition us to receive God's abundance?
- Can you share a personal experience where passionate prayer led to a significant change or blessing in your life?

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6. How did you respond to the next step questions this week?
  - Will you finish our fast this next 7-days with passionate prayer?
  - Will you bring your prayers for 2025 to our “prayer walls” this morning?
  - Will you join a “prayer circle” (a group of 4-8) to pray together today?
7. How can we pray for you and support you this week?

**Pathway reminder: please take the assessment to help yourself and Pathway?**

- [www.pathwayvb.com/survey](http://www.pathwayvb.com/survey)

**Note for life group leaders: if you need additional support or resources due to the depth of the verses and topics covered don't hesitate to reach out:**

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**January 5 – January 11, 2024**

## **FINANCIALS**

\$25,119 down 1.5% to budget for W/E 1/11/25

\$44,237 down 27.5% to budget for Year to Date

\$213,701 Net Revenue after including other income through December 2024

\$280,277 for Missions or 14.1% of General Giving YTD  
through December 2024

## **CONNECT**

Total Worship Attendance: 1118

Online: 113

TWC Attendance Sunday: 686

Kids Sunday/Wednesday: 173

Students Sunday/Wednesday: 146

## **GROW**

Baptisms (YTD): 87

Discipleship Groups: 85

Salvations (YTD): 115

## **SERVE**

People Fed at Food Pantry (one day): 47

Weekly Volunteers: 74