



QUESTIONS

ICEBREAKER: What is your idea of a great day?

1. The first verb in James 5:16 is “confess” and it is in the form of a command. What are the pitfalls of disobeying this clear instruction [cf. Genesis 3:8-13; Psalm 32:3-4; and Isaiah 6:9-10]?
2. Christians are also commanded to “pray for one another” [James 5:16]. What are the benefits of this practice [cf. 2 Corinthians 13:9-11; Philippians 4:6-7; and Hebrews 4:16]?
3. What difference does it make that a person be “righteous” when she is praying [James 5:16]? In what sense is the term “righteous” used [cf. Psalm 66:18; Proverbs 15:29; and 1 Peter 3:7]?
4. What do you know about Elijah that indicated he was an ordinary person [James 5:17-18; cf. 1 Kings 19:1-18]? What indicated that God did extraordinary things when Elijah prayed [James 5:17-18; cf. 1 Kings 17 & 18]?
5. James called the Christian community to restore the wandering ones rather than ignore them or gossip about them [James 5:19-20]. How can we put this into practice at CCBC [cf. John 4:4-30; John 21:15-19; and Philemon 1:1-25]?
6. What provides the motivation to restore erring brothers and sisters [James 5:19-20? Also consult Proverbs 10:12; Galatians 6:1-2; and 1 Peter 4:8.
7. What did you find helpful or challenging about this Sunday’s message?

“Jesus Christ became Incarnate for one purpose, to make a way back to God that man might stand before Him as He was created to do, the friend and lover of God Himself.” (Oswald Chambers)