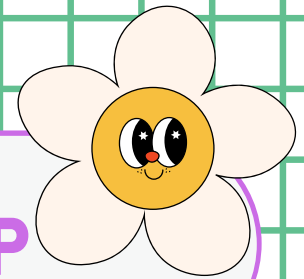




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CHODAE COMMUNITY CHURCH

SEED FAMILY WORSHIP

Connecting Parent and Child Generation through a Spiritual Conversation

PRAYING FOR GOD'S WILL TO BE DONE

READ 1 KINGS 18:41-46

A MESSAGE CAME TO ELIJAH
FROM THE LORD. HE SAID, "GO,
SPEAK TO AHAB. THEN I WILL
SEND RAIN ON THE LAND."
1 KINGS 18:1

FAMILY ACTIVITY

"TEAM RACE"

Prepare: Pingpong balls (10-12 for each team)-you can replace with any other small items, spoon (one for each team)

1. Make two teams. Each team will get a set of ping pong balls (10-12). Team members will take the balls and write down some of God's promises or prayers God placed upon your heart. It can be written in short phrases or even one word. Take time to talk about what each person has written down. (If you chose an item instead of pingpong ball and you cannot write on it, then you can opt out just sharing verbally)

2. After sharing time is done, the race begins. Each team will transfer all the ping pong balls using spoon from one point to another in the room. A team that finishes first gets to win!

*An act of transferring ping pong balls is like praying and interceding for each other's prayers and God's promises until they are achieved. It is a teamwork with God, and with one another.

In today's famous passage of Elijah, an interesting circumstance takes place. God has spoken to Elijah earlier that He will send rain to the land. There had been no rain in the land for three years. After such declaration, a fierce battle takes place between Elijah and Baal worshipers. The battle ended easy with God's victory as God sent fire down from heaven. Now with the next task of bringing rain down upon the land, Elijah comes down on his knee with his face down to the ground. But there is no sign of rain. For the seven times he prayed, there had been no sign, but at last, a small palm cloud appeared in the sky, and Elijah was sure that the rain was coming.

The story makes us wonder why Elijah had to come to a place of such fierce prayer. If God had sent the fire down to out win Baal worshipers, wouldn't God send rain down from heaven right away once again? Is it not easier to see rain than fire coming down from heaven? But God did not send rain right away. It required Elijah to pray seven times.

We are brought to an understanding that Elijah's fierce prayer was necessary in bringing what God spoke earlier to come true in reality. In fact, God could have chosen to act without Elijah praying so fiercely, because hadn't God promised to do it anyway? But this was God's way of bringing Elijah into the process of His work and promise. God did not need Elijah's prayers, but He absolutely wanted it. It almost felt like a teamwork between God and Elijah to bring God's promise to be executed here on earth.

It is God's desire that we pray for God's will to be done on this earth. As we do this, our hearts align with God's will, His purpose and His kingdom work to be done on this earth. In this amazing teamwork with God, our job is to kneel down and pray earnestly, while we never give up. When we faithfully play our part, God will act. He will perform and achieve His promise and will in our lives.

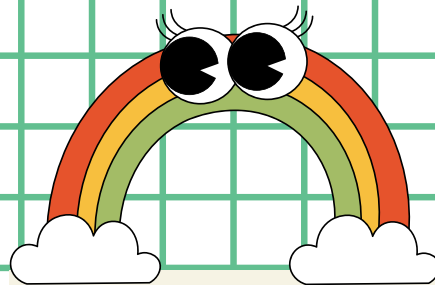
TALK



1. Was there a time when you did somethings together it felt much more fun and made it easier? (Ex. Making dumplings together, etc)
2. Do you have any promise of God in your life, or any prayers that you are earnestly praying for which you wanted others to together pray with you on?
3. Summarize what you learned today in one sentence or phrase.
4. Let's share our prayer needs and pray for one another.

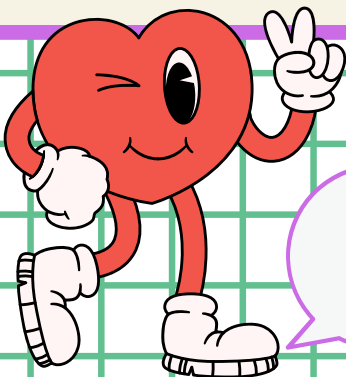
CONCLUSION

Elijah was an amazing prophet who brought such awesome miracles and episodes in the bible that wow us. But we realize his confidence came from his close relationship with God. When it was time to pray to God, he did, seven times and he never gave up even when no signs were shown. He trusted God because it was God's sure promise to come. But he did not sit back and relax until God just happened to do things on His own. He actively participated in God's work of bringing His will and promise to be done on earth. God loves and desires to work together with us. He invites us, brothers and sisters in Christ to pray fiercely and to work together earnestly to bring God's will for each other's lives, this church community, and His kingdom on this earth.



ENDING PRAYER

Dear Lord, help us discern and recognize Your will and promises in our lives so that we will together pray for them earnestly and fiercely. Help us see God's promises not only in our personal lives, but in each other's life, for this church, for the community that we are part of. May we recognize Your hand in every area of life we live here on this earth and desire to live it Your way.



Seed Worship Training meeting takes place every last Sunday of the Month after 3rd Service Worship (1-1:30PM) at PJM Room, Education Building (Snack provided). All of our curriculum and video resources can be downloaded at Chodae Church website!