

Winter 2019: 2:42 Life Group Week 2

“Praying with Confidence”

1 John 5:14-21

Getting to know each other:

- 1.) At times we all need to relax and get refreshed. How and where do you like to chill out and relax?

- 2.) Do you remember when and where you were when you first heard the gospel message? Did you receive or reject Jesus at the time?

Getting into the Word:

- 3.) Prayer is often turned into a complex exercise that can frustrate and discourage people. But, in its basic form, prayer is simply God’s wonderful plan by which we can talk to Him. What additional insights do the following verses give you concerning prayer? — 1 Jn 5:14 & 15, 3:21–23; Matt 6:5-15; Ps 66:18–20; 1 Pet 3:7; Isa 1:15–20; Jn 15:7 & 8; Phil 4:6 & 7; 1 Thes 5:16–18; 1 Tim 2:1–4

- 4.) We have come to the end of this powerful epistle of 1 John. What verses have encouraged you, challenged you, and have been impressed upon your heart by the Holy Spirit?

"I have an agreement with God. If I ask for anything that is not according to His will, I want Him to just ignore it; even if I get upset and pout and complain. I may think I know best, but I've discovered that God really knows best.

So, there is tremendous confidence that comes when I pray in God's will,

submitting my concerns to Him."

— Pastor Chuck Smith