

Date: January 26, 2020

Sermon Title: He is a Prayer-Hearing God

Speaker: Richard Smith

Scripture text(s):

- 1) Define "devoted." Read Colossians 4:2 and Mark 3:9. How did Richard say this word is defined in these scriptures?
- 2) What is disturbing your peace? What is your habit when your peace is disturbed? What steps do you need to take in order to obey God in this area of your life?
- 3) Richard said, "When you stop being yourself with God, you stop praying." What does this mean?
- 4) How does prayer bring us peace, purity, and power? Why do we need these three things?
- 5) Read Acts 4:24 and 29-31. Why pray?
- 6) John Piper said, "God acts when we pray--He can do more in 5 seconds than we can do in 5 years." Discuss this quote and how it impacts you in your prayer life.
- 7) In what areas of your life do you push with your own self-will instead of with prayer? What are the consequences of this?
- 8) Why is helplessness important in our prayer life?
- 9) In Isaiah 36 and 37, we read the story of Assyria coming to invade and conquer Jerusalem during Hezekiah's reign. How did Sennacherib, king of Assyria, treat Hezekiah through his field commander? How does this parallel with how Satan taunts us today?
- 10) Read Isaiah 37:1-7. How does Hezekiah's actions show that we need one another? Why should we stay in the Word, be faithful in prayer, and in fellowship with other believers?
- 11) Read Isaiah 37:14-17. Why are Hezekiah's actions here so important? What does it say about his dependence on God?
- 12) Read Isaiah 37:20-21 and 35-38. What did God do? What was God's reason in verse 21?