

**Be Successful In Your Ministry 2023**  
**Metropolitan Baptist Church**  
**Weekly Bible Study**  
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**Study Text: John 14:12-15**  
**Study Subject: Talking To God/Prayer9**  
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**Psalm 119:97**

### **Open It**

- I. When we approach God as he has told us to approach him, we can have great boldness in prayer as did many others before us. This means not only to approach God with **confidence** but **within His will**. **Matthew 6:10**. We are instructed to seek the will of God and pray for his will to be done. Praying in his will can keep us from asking for **foolish** or **sinful things**.
- II. **Read John 14:13,14:** When we ask in the name of Jesus, are we asking in the will of God **Y\_\_ N\_\_**. For this reason we should be careful what prayers we attach the name of Jesus to.
- III. When we pray we must pray in full \_\_\_\_\_, because what we are asking we believe God will do it.

### **Explore It**

- I. **Prying With Confidence That God Will Do It**
  - a. Many times Christian pray with so little **confidence** that God will ever answer their prayers that they are constantly adding **“if it be thy will”** to

each of them, as if to say to each other and themselves that they already know in advance that the thing they are asking for will not happen.

**b. Read Acts 12:1-5:** What do you believe the church was praying? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. Do you believe they were praying in  
and with **confidence**? \_\_\_\_\_

**c. Read Acts 12:12-17:** Let us examine the action and reaction of the church  
which was in prayer. **Notes.** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**d.** What is our take-a-way from this passage that can help us as a church when  
praying? What is our take-a-way as individuals praying to God for this or  
that? \_\_\_\_\_