

## Keys to Answered Prayer

Mark 11:20-26

### I. Faith when we pray (Mark 11:20-24)

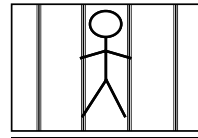
- A. Jesus' Power: The withered fig tree
- B. The Potential of Faith: A mountain cast into the sea.
- C. Christ's Promise: We can have what we ask for in faith.
  - **What is faith?** (James 5:15-17) *Faith is believing as we pray that God is able to do all He promised and all He has planned.*
  - **What about the will of God in prayer?** (1 John 5:14-15) *Prayer is participation in the pursuit of God's will and the submission of mine.*

### II. Forgiveness when we pray (Mark 11:25-26)

- A. When we pray, we must forgive those who have hurt us (25a).
- B. If we don't forgive others, God doesn't forgive us (25b, 26). [Relational, not eternal forgiveness]

#### Heart Forgiveness

- Genuinely releasing others spiritually (Colossians 3:13) and relationally ("from the heart" – Matthew 18:35)



#### The Prison of Unforgiveness

1. Forgiving the \_\_\_\_\_
2. Forgiving the \_\_\_\_\_
3. Forgiving the \_\_\_\_\_
4. Repenting of \_\_\_\_\_ (judging, retaliation, bitterness, excuses for other sin, failure to trust God, etc.)

(SALT - Seven Areas of Life Training, #3, pp. 29-38)