

# Midweek Bible Study

## Perspectives on Praying for the Sick and Dying

### I. Perspective on Divine Sovereignty

- A. We gladly affirm God's total and comprehensive sovereignty  
Psa. 103:19; 115:3; Rom. 11:36; Eph. 1:11  
He is sovereign over death and life  
Deut. 32:39; 1 Sam. 2:6; Psa. 68:20; Rev. 1:18
- B. We gladly affirm God's sovereignty over our days  
Job 14:5; Psa. 139:16; Ecc. 3:2; Heb. 9:27

### II. Perspective on Death

- A. The event of death
- B. Death for the Christian has lost its sting  
1 Cor. 15:54-57; Phil. 1:21

### III. Perspective on Biblical Instructions to Pray

- A. Pray according to God's will  
Matt. 26:37-44; 1 John 5:14-15
- B. Pray bold prayers of faith  
Mk. 11:22-24; John 15:7; Jas. 4:2; 5:14-16
- C. No formula

### IV. Perspective from those living

John 11:17-34  
Acts 9:36-42  
Phil. 2:25-28

### V. Perspective from those dying

- A. Although the believer does not fear death, there is nothing wrong with wanting to continue to live. Phil. 1:21-26 (2 Cor. 1:8-10)
- B. There may be times when the saint is weary and ready to go home.  
2 Tim. 4:6-8

### VI. The Perspective of the dead in Christ

- A. 2 Cor. 5:8
- B. Psa. 116:15

## Conclusion

