

CONNECT WITH THE MESSAGE

Stronger In Prayer 7 - Keep Hitting!

- 1) What's the furthest you've ever swum without stopping?

- 2) Read **2 Kings 13v15-19**. What question would you most like to ask having heard Rich's message on Sunday? Why?

- 3) Read **Luke 18v1-8**.
 - a) What is the overall message of this parable?

 - b) Which things/situations cause you to 'give up' in prayer?

 - c) How exactly does this parable aim to help you to persevere in prayer?

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 - a) Why do you think Jesus uses an unjust judge who doesn't care about the widow in this parable?

 - b) How does Jesus want us to think about God having read this parable?

 - c) How could your answers to **a)** and **b)** help you to 'pray and not give up'?

- 5) Read **Hebrews 5v7**. What does this tell us about the way Jesus prayed?

- 6) Read **Isaiah 62v6-7** where Isaiah is speaking of prayer for God's city of Jerusalem. We could extend this idea into our prayers for God's people the church.
 - a) How can we pray in such a way that we 'give ourselves no rest' and yet still be able to live healthy 'normal' lives?

 - b) In what ways do you feel you can be more focused in 'keep hitting' the ground in prayer?

DIGGING DEEPER

Read **2 Kings 5v1-14**.

- a) Why do you think Elisha sent instructions by a messenger? What would Naaman have felt about that?
- b) Why do you think Elisha instructs him to wash in the Jordan?
- c) Why was Naaman reluctant to wash in the Jordan?
- d) What do you think was God's 'overall objective' in dealing with Naaman?
- e) Are there areas or situations where you feel reluctant to do what God asks? (*especially if it's through someone else*)
- f) What can you learn from this passage that would help you in personal evangelism and prayer?

CONNECT IN PRAYER

Please pray for **Harriet** as she takes on the role of **Team Leader of Livewires**. Pray that the team will continue to work well together and that Harriet would understand the needs of the group. Pray also that she would quickly get to know the children and be able to relate well to them.

Please pray for the next **Alpha Course** which starts with a meal on **Sunday 22nd September** at **7pm** at Prezzo. Let's really pray for a great response to this course and for courage as we step out in faith and invite our friends, family and colleagues.

CONNECT WITH CHURCH LIFE

King's Church Social Action Forum: come along to discuss, share ideas and pray about how we can be more involved in doing good in Lewes. **Saturday 13th July 10am - 12noon** upstairs at the church building.

We are having a **Church Picnic** after our Sunday morning meeting on **21st July** at Beechwood Hall and Park, Beechwood Lane, Cooksbridge. Bring your own picnic or arrange to share with others. We have use of the hall with kitchen and toilets, children's playground and sports field. Parking is limited to 30 vehicles, so please share if possible. It should be a fantastic afternoon!

We will be having **Baptisms** on **Sunday 25th August**. If you haven't already been baptised and would like to be, please speak to one of the leaders.

Save the date! **Church BBQ** at Abbot's Wood on **Sunday 8th September**.

The next **Alpha Meal** will be on **Sunday 22nd September, 7pm** at **Prezzo**. Please begin to pray about who you will invite.