

# THE PURSUIT

WEEK 2

## DIG DEEPER THIS WEEK:

We want to be an Army that dreams big dreams, prays big prayers and believes in the impossible. This is what this season of New Zeal is all about, and it begins with prayer. Join us in this pursuit over the next 9 weeks.

## Take time to read James 5:13-18

Verses 16-18 "Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops."

## ASK YOURSELF THIS WEEK:

- > What might God be saying through this passage to you? To your corps/centre?
- > How often do you pray prayers of faith like those in this passage? (Prayers for yourself, the sick, and for others)
- > Why do you think James emphasises that 'Elijah was a human being, even as we are'?

## COVER IT IN PRAYER THIS WEEK:

Pray for forgiveness and sing praise, thanking God for all He has done for you.

Pray for those in your sphere that are sick, in need of hope, or are yet to meet Christ.

Pray that the 'heavens give rain' and that your life/setting would produce crops again.

## BE INSPIRED THIS WEEK:

"The coming revival must begin with a great revival of prayer. It is in the closet, with the door shut, that the sound of abundance of rain will first be heard. An increase of secret prayer with ministers will be the sure harbinger of blessing." - Andrew Murray

## GET INTO IT THIS WEEK:

**Individually:** Go for a walk this week and pray for the needs of your church/centre and community.

**Corporately:** How could you encourage youth and kids to engage in The Pursuit? Why not incorporate themes from The Pursuit in your kids and youth ministries?

## SOAK IN IT THIS WEEK:

**Fall Afresh** - Bethel Music

**Spirit of the Living God** - Hymn

**Touch of Heaven** - Hillsong

**Wairua Tapu/HS Welcome** - Edge Kingsland

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