

**God of ALL Circumstances**

We allow circumstances to affect us both **emotionally** and **socially**.

# **CHARACTERISTIC of fallen [human] nature**

- Proud to live in rugged individualism
- Unwilling to share burdens
- Do not believe that prayers of other folks really matter

# GOD'S DESIGN for human nature

- alone is “not good” (*Gen. 2:18*)
- we live/die “unto the Lord” (*Rom. 14:7-8*)

*James 5:13-18*

TROUBLED? **PRAYER** (acknowledge  
God's **presence!**)

I am not alone in my distress. God is with me and will provide both **wisdom** and **strength**.

HAPPY? **PRAISE** (acknowledge God's **power!**)



I sing because God's **goodness**  
and **blessing** fills my heart

SICK? **PARTNERSHIP** (acknowledge  
God's **people!**)

- I believe that God's healing happens through the **faith** and **touch** of other believers
- I must overcome the temptation to **withdraw** from others

- connection of physical (sick) and spiritual (sins) (15)
- connection of humility and healing (16)

Praying for each other is a **sacred privilege**.

- God hears prayer and responds to faith.
- The faith of one **impacts** others (Elijah).

Jesus answered, “Woman, you have great faith. Your request is granted. And her daughter was healed from that very hour.”

*(Mt. 15:28)*