

# Stuff That Works At Work

## Chapter 19

### “Prayer”

Take Action

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## **Chapter 19 Take Action: Content**

- Make a list of three issues you or your team are facing. Take five minutes each day this week to pray about each issue. Explain the issue in your prayer. If there is a solution you prefer, pray for it or for a higher power to show you another way.
- Schedule a weekly prayer reminder on your calendar. Take five minutes to sit in quiet, and pray about whatever comes to your mind.
- At the end of the week, review your list and note if any of the issues have been resolved or improved.
- Invest time on [Stuffthatworksbooks.com](http://Stuffthatworksbooks.com) to find ways others have made collaboration work for them

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Chapter 19 Take Action: Action 1

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## ACTION

Prayer has always worked for me.

It is an easy process. It does not require any special skills or process. It simply requires that you do it.

The list at the side takes me about 2-3 minutes to pray through.

Pretty simple. The key is to ask a power greater than yourself for help. I ask God to help me with each issue.

I just have a conversation with God about these issues. I do it while I am driving and running, or eating breakfast.

You don't have to kneel or look to heaven. You don't have to say anything out loud. Just have a conversation with God in your head.

You can do it any where any time however you like. God is always there with you and he listens.

## EXAMPLES

ISSUES	SOLUTIONS?	DAYS PRAYED					ANSWERED
EXECUTIVE TEAM NOT ALLIGNED ON STRATEGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>TALK TO THEM ONE ON ONE</li><li>MIRACLE</li></ul>	X	X				IMPROVING
SHOULD MY TEAM NVEST IN A NEW SOFTWARE SYSTEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>RAISE UP AN ADVISOR</li><li>GRANT WISDOM</li></ul>	X	X				NO ANSWER YET
I CANNOT GET ALONG WITH THE MY BOSS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>CHANGE ME</li><li>CHANGE MY BOSS</li><li>OTHER?</li></ul>	X	X	X			SLIGHT IMPROVEMENT

Dear God,

Help me.

Make my one on one conversations with the exec team drive alignment.

Give me wisdom regarding our planned software purchase,

Change me so I get along with my Boss

Thanks

Dear God,

I don't really know what I am doing but I need your help.

Help the exec team align on strategy.

Guide me regarding our planned software purchase,

Help me get along with my Boss

Thanks

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Schedule a weekly prayer reminder on your calendar. Take five minutes to sit in quiet, and pray about whatever comes to your mind.

## ACTION.

I have found that having a scheduled time, the same time everyday really helps. Consistency and routine are powerful when combined with prayer.

One of the easiest things for me is to pray during my morning work out. I start with a mental list of three topics of prayer. I ask for help with each one. Simple and easy to fit in.

I have also been able to pray while driving in to work, riding in the elevator, waiting in the lunch line, During meetings ... you get the idea. It is easy and I have found effective.

Now that being said. A quiet sit down alone in a private place for the express purpose of prayer is incredibly powerful. It changes the game and makes for a much more meaningful experience. It feels awesome. Try it you might like it.

The key is to pray. Ask God for help.

## EXAMPLES

Dear God,

I am having a very difficult time with my boss. We just do not get along.

I can really use your help. I don't know what to do.

Help us both change and teach me to respect them and to add value to them as an employee.

Help them to see my value and appreciate my contributions.

Joe

Dear God,

I have been praying all week regarding our software purchase decision and do not feel I have any definitive answer from you.

I am going to make the purchase and I ask that you bless this decision. Help the install to go well and for my team to love the tool.

Help it do what it claims it can do for our productivity.

Joe

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At the end of the week, review your list and note if any of the issues have been resolved or improved.

## ACTION.

It is important to track the results of prayer.

Find out if it is working. Think about it. Test it. Hold it accountable to provide a return on your investment.

Trust me God is not afraid of being held accountable.

I would also suggest that you be thankful. Thank God for the answers he gives.

Think of it as a relationship and treat God like a friend you trust and good things will come from it.

## EXAMPLES

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EXECUTIVE TEAM NOT ALLIGNED ON STRATEGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>TALK TO THEM ONE ON ONE</li><li>MIRACLE</li></ul>	X	X	X	X	X	ALIGNED!
SHOULD MY TEAM NVEST IN A NEW SOFTWARE SYSTEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>RAISE UP AN ADVISOR</li><li>GRANT WISDOM</li></ul>	X	X	X	X	X	NO ANSWER YET
I CANNOT GET ALONG WITH THE MY BOSS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>CHANGE ME</li><li>CHANGE MY BOSS</li><li>OTHER?</li></ul>	X	X	X	X	X	GREAT CHANGES

## PRAYER

Dear God,

Thank you for the amazing results

The exec team has aligned like never before.

Although I did not get a direct answer on the software I made the decision and trust you will make it a good decision. Thanks

Finally, my boss praised me yesterday. I have become more patient and they have actually given me some great help with issues. Thanks.

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Invest time on [Stuffthatworksbooks.com](http://Stuffthatworksbooks.com) to discover more ways to add fun to daily office life.

## ACTION.

This is an easy one.

I believe that each of us can help someone else.

There is so much to know and to experience. You just can not do it on your own. So the best way forward is to share and learn from each other.

Technology makes this so easy today. That is why I built the web site [Stuffthatworksbooks.com](http://Stuffthatworksbooks.com).

It only reaches its potential if you join in and add the stuff that works that you have found. Please make a contribution today. Help others find the Stuff That Works.

Others have already shared their stuff that works so be sure to check the site often as there is probably something to improve every area of your life.

The community is waiting and growing. I hope you will join in and make a positive difference.

Thank you!

## EXAMPLES

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