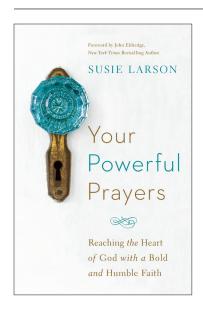




SAMPLE INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

Your Powerful Prayers: Reaching the Heart of God with a Bold and Humble Faith by Susie Larson

- 1. Susie, how has your own prayer life changed over the years?
- 2. You say that powerful prayer starts and ends with a deeper understanding of God's love for us. Say more.
- 3. How do our prayers sound when we *don't* believe we're loved?
- 4. You have a strong desire to see Christians not be ashamed at Christ's return, to see them lay hold of all God has made available to them. Unpack that.
- 5. Throughout the book you encourage your readers to pull themselves out of the small story so they can see themselves in the bigger story. Give us an example from Scripture and make the application to our lives.
- 6. You say that disappointments can skew our perspective of God and thus undermine our prayers. In the book you suggest we ask ourselves three questions when sorting through our heartbreaks and disappointments. Let's walk through each one:
 - What is this disappointment saying TO me that's not true?
 - What is this disappointment saying ABOUT me that's not true?
 - What is this disappointment saying ABOUT God that's not true?
- 7. You say that the words we speak, the thoughts we think, and the prayers we pray are like seeds that go into the ground and eventually bear fruit. Unpack that for us a bit more.
- 8. Often times when you speak on our identity in Christ, you have an "heir" table and an "orphan" table up front as an important visual example. Make the distinction between these two tables and how understanding this important truth impacts our prayers.
- 9. You make the important distinction between surrendering to circumstances and surrendering to God in your circumstances. Explain that distinction.
- 10. Speak to the person listening today who says, "I've tried prayer. I believed His promises. I walked in faith. And my loved one still died. I don't get it, so I'm not doing it anymore."
- 11. Oftentimes we hear people quote from James 4:7, "Resist the devil and he will flee," yet you say that the devil won't leave us alone unless we understand and obey the first part of this verse. Say more.
- 12. Why is the combination of humility and boldness so irresistible to God?
- 13. What is your deepest desire for this book?



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