

Sermon Title:  
"Disappointment with God"  
I Samuel 4-7

INTRODUCTION:

C. Serve God alone (7:3).

**I. The Problem with Powerless Prayer**

A. We pray because we feel defeated (4:3) but often the defeat after we pray and seek God's power is greater than the defeat before we prayed (4:10, 11, 18, 20-22).

B. There is evidence of the power of God around us (5:6, 9, 11) but often in our lives the power of God seems to be directed against us and not for us (6:19-20).

**II. The Solution to Powerless Prayer**

A. Remove the foreign gods (7:3).