

## Scriptures for Getting Your Prayers Answered

### God answered prayer In the Old Testament

Ps 138:3

3 In the day when I cried thou answeredst me, and strengthenedst me with strength in my soul. (KJV)

Notice here that God answered and strengthened him in the very day when he cried to Him.

### He also answered prayer in the New Testament

John 14:13-14

13 And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

14 If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it. (KJV)

Notice here that this seems to give us an unlimited menu of prayer choices. This should be limited only by 1 John 5:14-15.

### God answers prayer in time of trouble.

Ps 50:15

15 And call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me. (KJV)

In this Scripture, deliverance is promised, whether in the same day we call or at a later time. The point is that God answers prayer that is prayed in the day of trouble.

Ps 91:14-16

14 Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name.

15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him.

16 With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation. (KJV)

Again, the answers to your prayers comes in the day of trouble. Furthermore, deliverance comes from God out of the trouble you are in. He even honors you with a long, satisfying life. Praise God!

### But in what kind of trouble?

### He answers your prayer when you are in distress.

Ps 118:5

5 I called upon the LORD in distress: the LORD answered me, and set me in a large place. (KJV)

Who among us has not been in distress. Have faith! God answers prayers called out when we are in distress. In addition, he sets us in a large place.

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*There is a Scripture  
for meeting your  
every need  
somewhere in the  
Bible.*

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Distress closes in on us. It fences us in, as it were. It backs us in a corner. There is no freedom of movement.

But part of His answer to prayers called out in distress is this; we are moved from the confines of a corner to a large place where we can have freedom from the confines dictated and enforced on us by distress.

### **He answers your prayer when you are in affliction.**

Ps 106:44-45

44 Nevertheless he regarded their affliction, when he heard their cry:

45 And he remembered for them his covenant, and repented according to the multitude of his mercies. (KJV)

Notice here that the Psalmist bases God's regard for our affliction on the Abrahamic covenant. And all this was occasioned by our cry. When affliction of any kind slams you against the wall, cry out to God and help is on the way.

### **He answers your prayer when you are poor and needy.**

Isa 41:17-20

17 When the poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their tongue faileth for thirst, I the LORD will hear them, I the God of Israel will not forsake them.

18 I will open rivers in high places, and fountains in the midst of the valleys: I will make the wilderness a pool of water, and the dry land springs of water.

19 I will plant in the wilderness the cedar, the shittah tree, and the myrtle, and the oil tree; I will set in the desert the fir tree, and the pine, and the box tree together:

20 That they may see, and know, and consider, and understand together, that the hand of the LORD hath done this, and the Holy One of Israel hath created it. (KJV)

When we call out to God in our poverty, God will hear us. He will also not forsake us. He also gives us the very provisions we require to alleviate our need. Look at verse 18 above. He made water in four different places. Yes, God answers prayer when called out by the poor and needy.

In Verse 19, because of the waters made in Verse 18, he plants where the fresh moisture of them is located. He plants the cedar, the shittah, the myrtle and the oil tree in the wilderness. He also sets the fir, the pine and the box trees together in the desert. Yes, God answers prayer when called out by the poor and needy.

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### What about the requirements?

#### 1. We must seek God and search for him with all our heart.

Jer 29:13

13 And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.  
(KJV)

Notice above that it is not enough to just seek God, we must search or seek him “with all out heart.” In other words, we must leave no stone unturned, as it were, in our search for God when we absolutely must have an answer from him to our prayers.

#### 2. We must wait upon Him.

Ps 40:1-2

1 I waited patiently for the LORD; and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry.  
2 He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings. (KJV)

Not only does God hear us when we wait patiently on him, he will also bring us up out of an horrible pit. Furthermore, he will bring us up out of the miry clay, set our feet upon a rock and establish our goings.

It doesn't really matter what our pit and clay consists of. He can and will pull us out of them. They could be a wayward child, a financial collapse, a terrible disease or an unfriendly neighbor.

God can and will do something about them when we turn these things over to him and then patiently wait on him to deal with them.

#### 3. We must return to Him.

2 Chr 7:14

14 If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. (KJV)

Here we must see that we are required of four things: (1) to get humble, (2) to pray, (3) to seek his face and (4) turn from whatever wicked way we have that we know about.

Then God will deliver three things all his children need: (1) he will hear from heaven, (2) he will forgive our sin, (3) he will heal our land.

All the above simply because we return to him. Furthermore, these things are made even plainer in the New Testament. See the following Scripture.

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I Jn 1:9

9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (KJV)

As Christians, to confess our sins is to acknowledge them to God by telling Him all the details about them. Obviously, it is best to immediately confess them as they happen.

These are the New Testament equivalents of 2 Chronicles 7:14 above. Perform the requirements of 1 John 1:9 and you have performed the requirements of 2 Chronicles 7:14.

In addition, there is much, much more here. Suppose we can't remember all our sins to confess them. What about those? Will these we can't remember do us in? No!

It seems to me that if we confess what we can remember, he will cleanse us from "all unrighteousness," even from the sins we simply can't remember at the time. Why? Because we would have confessed them had we remembered them.

The point here is this; God wants openness, honesty. Therefore, when we are confessing our sins, we simply confess to him that we may not be remembering them all.

Consequently, we need cleansing from "all unrighteousness," including that unrighteousness caused by the sins we could not remember in order to confess them. This is returning to God.

### 5. We must pray according to His will.

What is praying according to his will and how do we do it? The next Scripture to getting your prayers answered will show you exactly what and how to pray according to his will.

I Jn 5:14-15

14 And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us:

15 And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him. (KJV)

This is a powerful revelation. To pray according to his will is simply this: Find a Scripture promise that covers your situation. Then pray that specific Scripture promise. You see, Scripture is God's will.

So find your promise. State this specific Scripture promise to God out loud. Tell him what he said. Remind him that this promise includes you as a member of the Abrahamic Seed Group. This is praying according to the will of God.

Then we can know that we have already received our request even before it shows itself. This is a confidence that we can have according to the above Scripture. Praise God! The above Scripture becomes the Scripture promise we need to get our prayers answered.

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*The easiest and greatest of all prayer requirements are simply praying according to His will.*

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**When we pray according to His will, when does He hear us?**

Isa 30:19

19 For the people shall dwell in Zion at Jerusalem: thou shalt weep no more: he will be very gracious unto thee at the voice of thy cry; when he shall hear it, he will answer thee. (KJV)

Notice what Isaiah said here. God’s grace comes at the voice of our cry. That’s when he shall hear it (our cry). And when he hears it is the exact time he begins sending forth the answer and solution to our problems.

Dan 9:21-23

21 Yea, whiles I was speaking in prayer, even the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening oblation.

22 And he informed me, and talked with me, and said, O Daniel, I am now come forth to give thee skill and understanding.

23 At the beginning of thy supplications the commandment came forth, and I am come to shew thee; for thou art greatly beloved: therefore understand the matter, and consider the vision. (KJV)

Here, Daniel said that “whiles I was speaking in prayer” and “at the beginning of thy supplications,” the commandment came forth” and God caused Gabriel to “fly swiftly.” The rest can be seen simply by reading the above Scriptures again. When does God hear us? When and as we pray!

**But sometimes there is a delay between the time when we pray and the time we actually get the answer to our prayers. So what?**

Dan 10:12-14

12 Then said he unto me, Fear not, Daniel: for from the first day that thou didst set thine heart to understand, and to chasten thyself before thy God, thy words were heard, and I am come for thy words.

13 But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days: but, lo, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me; and I remained there with the kings of Persia. (KJV)

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**What about the delay between the time we pray and the time the answer comes?**

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Gabriel told Daniel that God heard his prayer. He told Daniel that "from the first day thy words were heard." He also said that he, Gabriel, had come to Daniel "for thy words." Then he said a strange thing. He said that he was hindered for 21 days from getting to Daniel immediately because of a demonic hindrance by the Prince of Persia.

Gabriel was powerless against this hindrance. He had to have help. Michael had to be sent to enable Gabriel to prevail and get to Daniel. Imagine this! Even Gabriel had to call in the Calvary. Then he got to Daniel and the rest is history. Sometimes answers are delayed by demonic, Satanic hindrances. But God plows through them eventually. What a faith builder.

### What if my circumstances are impossible? So what?

Jonah 2:2

2 And said, I cried by reason of mine affliction unto the LORD, and he heard me; out of the belly of hell cried I, and thou heardest my voice. (KJV)

Jonah 2:10

10 And the LORD spake unto the fish, and it vomited out Jonah upon the dry land. KJV)

Jonah was in the belly of hell-fish. It was impossible for him to get out any other way than prayer. Yet he cried out to God in the midst of this affliction and God heard him. He said it twice in Verse 10 above; God heard him!

Then He made the fish vomit him out upon dry land. Talk about the impossible, if this wasn't impossible, it is difficult to see what would be considered impossible. Yes God comes through with answers to and deliverances from impossible circumstances.

### Should I fast when I pray?

Ezra 8:21-23

21 Then I proclaimed a fast there, at the river of Ahava, that we might afflict ourselves before our God, to seek of him a right way for us, and for our little ones, and for all our substance.

22 For I was ashamed to require of the king a band of soldiers and horsemen to help us against the enemy in the way: because we had spoken unto the king, saying, The hand of our God is upon all them for good that seek him; but his power and his wrath is against all them that forsake him.

23 So we fasted and besought our God for this: and he was intreated of us. (KJV)

Ezra did not want to require bodyguards from the heathen king who had agreed to let them go back to their land. Consequently, he called a fast to be part and parcel of their prayer to God for safety.

Obviously, fasting is sometimes called for when necessary. Ezra added it here. Little did he know his name and circumstances would be on this page to teach it to others centuries later. Prayer and fasting go together like apple pie and ice cream.

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**What about fasting when I pray?**

**Is fasting even necessary?**

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Keep on praying for wisdom so business will flourish...believing God's word. LS

Pray for divine healing, divine prosperity, divine family well being and divine salvation for family. Please include me on all church prayer lists and meetings where possible. ES

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Continue to pray for anxiety for family member. NS

Continue to pray for liver cancer. LH

Continue to pray for sons healing. KD

Sympathy for deceased brother in Far East. Continue praying about various needs. ES

Thank you for your teaching. LS

Sympathy for loss of daughter who was loved by all. B and RW

Thank you for all your thoughtful emails filled with vital information on how to fight spiritually and how to obtain God's blessings. Please pray for my family. PP

Pray for the destiny of a very special grandson. LS

Please pray for my business. Thank God we are not dependant on the US or world economy but on God's! Nothing is impossible with God. As I plant seed, please pray for my financial harvest. RH

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### Now put feet to your prayers!

Neh 4:7-9

7 But it came to pass, that when Sanballat, and Tobiah, and the Arabians, and the Ammonites, and the Ashdodites, heard that the walls of Jerusalem were made up, and that the breaches began to be stopped, then they were very wroth,

8 And conspired all of them together to come and to fight against Jerusalem, and to hinder it.

9 Nevertheless we made our prayer unto our God, and set a watch against them day and night, because of them. (KJV)

When rebuilding the wall as per God's command, the enemies of God set out to stop Nehe

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miah's building. They prayed but they also set a watch against them day and night because of them. In other words, they put feet to their prayers.

Neh 4:16-18

16 And it came to pass from that time forth, that the half of my servants wrought in the work, and the other half of them held both the spears, the shields, and the bows, and the habergeons; and the rulers were behind all the house of Judah.

17 They which builded on the wall, and they that bare burdens, with those that laded, every one with one of his hands wrought in the work, and with the other hand held a weapon.

18 For the builders, every one had his sword girded by his side, and so builded. And he that sounded the trumpet was by me. (KJV)

Half of them did the work. The other half of them were armed to the teeth, ready for war. Even those that builded, bare burdens along with those that laded, every one worked with one hand and carried his weapon in his other hand. This is putting feet to your prayers.

Putting feet to your prayers means to pray like it is all up to God and work like the outcome is all up to you. This is what went down here with Nehemiah. They prayed. They also armed themselves to the teeth. Somewhere in this study, I pray you will have found some Scripture or combination of Scriptures to get your prayers answered. Corky and I love you all.

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