

Trust God In Prayer



Objective

Increase our trust in God in answering our prayers.

Personal Experience

Faith/Trust Is Measurable

1. Compare your faith with the Apostle Paul. How does it measure up? Can you increase your faith and trust in God in answering prayers?

- Falls short.
- Yes.

2. Fill in the blanks below
showing faith is measurable.

Luke 17:5 “And the apostles said to
the Lord, “Increase our faith!”

2. Fill in the blanks below showing faith is measurable.

Matt. 17:14-21 "... a man came up to Him, falling on his knees before Him, and saying, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is a lunatic ... "And I brought him to Your disciples, and they could not cure him." ... Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" And He *said to them, "Because of the **littleness** of your faith ...".

3. How do we grow our faith?

2 Pet 3:17-18: "...You therefore, beloved, ... be on your guard lest, ..., but **grow** in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ...".

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Rom. 10:17: “17 So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ.”.

God Answers Our Prayers

4. In the following verses,
write the phrases that shows
God hears our prayers?

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James 5:16 - effective prayer can accomplish much.

1Peter 3:12 - HIS EARS ATTEND TO THEIR PRAYER.

Acts 10:31 - Cornelius, your prayer has been heard.

Matt. 21:22 - Ask in prayer; you shall receive.

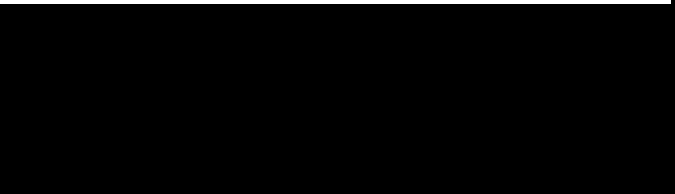
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Psa. 5:3 - O LORD, Thou wilt hear my voice.

Psa. 65:2 - O Thou who dost hear prayer.

Pro. 15:29 - He hears the prayer of the righteous.

3 Possible Answers

5. Read the following verses:
Deut. 3:23-27, 2 Cor. 
12:7-10 . What was God's
answer to these 2 prayers?

NO!

5. Read the following verses. What was God's answer to these 2 prayers?

a. Who is praying?

b. What is the context?

c. List the phrases from these verses stating the request and God's response?

Deut. 3:23-27

a. Moses.

b. In Moab, ready to enter Canaan.

c. Moses: “Let me, I pray, cross over and see the fair land”, vs. 25.

God: “You shall not cross over this Jordan”, vs. 27.

2 Cor. 12:7-10

- a. Paul.
- b. Addressing charges of boasting against him. Starts chapter about his vision. Then talks about his thorn in the flesh.
- c. Paul: “I entreated the Lord three times that it might depart from me”, vs. 8.
Lord: “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is perfected in weakness”, vs. 9.

6. Read the following verses (Gen. 15:2-4, 16:16, 21:5). Did God answer his prayer in the affirmative?

Yes but delayed!

6. Read the following verses (Gen. 15:2-4, 16:16, 21:5).

- a. Who is praying?
- b. What is the context?
- c. List the phrases from these verses stating the request and God's response?
- d. How old was Abram when he made this request?
- e. How old was Abraham when God answered his prayer?
- f. How many years did God finally answer his prayer?

6. Read the following verses (Gen. 15:2-4, 16:16, 21:5).

a. Abram/Abraham.

b. Asking for a son.

c. Abram: "What wilt Thou give me, since I am childless", vs. 2

God: "One who shall come forth from your own body, he shall be your heir", vs. 4.

d. Younger than 86 years old, vs. 16:16.

e. 100, vs. 21:5.

f. When prayer was answered, 14+ years later.

7. Read the following verses (1 Sam. 1:2, 9-11, 19-20; Matt. 8:2-3:). What was God's answer to these 2 prayers?

Granted!

7. Read the following verses (1 Sam. 1:2, 9-11, 19-20).

- a. Who is praying?
- b. What is the context?
- c. List the phrases from these verses stating the request and God's response?

7. Read the following verses (1 Sam. 1:2, 9-11, 19-20:).

a. Hanna.

b. She had no children.

c. Hanna: “Wilt give Thy maidservant a son”, vs. 11.

God: “The LORD remembered her”, vs. 19.

7. Read the following verses (Matt. 8:2-3).

a. Leper

b. Wanted to be cured.

c. Leper: “Lord, if You are willing, You can make me clean”, vs. 2.

Jesus: “I am willing; be cleansed”, vs. 3.

Examples Where Prayer Changed God's Mind

8. Golden Calf: Ex. 32:7-14.

a. What did God tell Moses He would do to the people who worshipped the golden calf - use words from the text?

"Now then let Me alone, that My anger may burn against them, and that I may destroy them; and I will make of you a great nation", vs. 10.