

God's Word in this bible are **literally God's Words**, uttered from His divine lips. Each and every word is loaded with the breath of God, the power of God and the life of God. Therefore use each Word, although there are many, as such.

**Heb 4:12 kj** <sup>12</sup> For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

**We must know that our prayers are not being answered because of how good we have been; but on the basis of our right standing in Christ. Righteousness is a free gift from God, paid for by the shed blood of Jesus and received by faith.**

1) Jesus became our wisdom, righteousness, sanctification and redemption. (1st Cor 1:30)

This righteousness gives man the legal standing before God that Jesus Christ has today. We stand boldly today in God's power and presence just as much as Jesus can. We can fellowship with the Father on the same level as Jesus when He walked the earth.

2) We are called joint-heirs with Christ (**Rom 8:17**)

3) God loves us as much as He loves Jesus (**John 17:23**)

4) The effectual fervent prayer of the righteous availeth much **(James 5:16)**

a) Meaning, prayers from a righteous man carry legal force. We are equal heirs with Christ, joint partners together with Christ, seated with Him in Heavenly –places **(Eph 2:6)**. The same place of honor and authority Jesus has with God , we have with Him.

5) Faith is required to please God **(Heb 11:6)**

Faith is the currency in Heaven. Just like money gives privileges to many in the earth's economy system, faith does for those who desire to receive from God's Kingdom. Only faith pleases God – not hoping, doubting, not questioning His will and not unbelief.

6) For our prayers to be answered requires being in right relationship.

a) God requires us to go and reconcile ourselves to our bother (fellow man) before we leave our offering and gifts at the alter. **(Matt 5:23,24)**

b) In order for prayers and faith to work, God requires us to believe and forgive those who we have ought against. **(Mark 11:24,25)**

We cannot allow bitterness, unforgiveness, or strife to linger in our hearts and expect God to answer our prayers.

God see a married couple as one. If there is strife and disunity between them, it will hinder their prayers and blessings for their home. They are heirs together. That is why Satan is after the unity in the Home. **(1st Pet 3:7)** (36)

7) We must have the right motives each time we pray. God looks at our heart when we pray.

a) Those who have a pure heart will be blessed to see God. (Matt 5:8) – Here the word see --means to sense, know and discern Him.

b) Man judges on the outer appearance but God judges according to the Heart. **(1st Sam 16:7)**

8) Using Jesus name- **John 14:13,14** And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do , that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask anything in my name , I will do it.

a) The reason why it's important to pray in Jesus' name is because we are saying to God that we come on the basis of everything that Jesus has done on our behalf at the cross. We come on the mantle of the shed blood of Jesus and what His blood gives us. It tells God that you know which God you are praying to.

b) Because God accepts us in Jesus, we have a claim to all the benefits, blessing and resources of Heaven. Our prayers need never hit or miss because with the aid of the Holy Spirit, every time we pray , we pray 100% in line with God's perfect Will.

9) Decide what you want in Prayer, find the scriptures (or promises) that answer your need. **(Joshua 1:8; 2 Cor 1:20; 1st John 5:14)**

a) The word should be first and foremost in our prayer life. It should serve as a foundation of every prayer. If we have a promise from God's word, our prayers and faith can have confidence. We build the word into our inner consciousness to help become fully persuaded. We use the Word against the devil when He wants to rob us of what belongs to us.

10) Refuse to doubt after you pray and believe that you receive **(Mark 11:24)**

a) After you have prayed, at that point , believe that God has begun to move the angels on your behalf to manifest what you are believing for. You speak it "I believe I receive my healing, my finances, my new job etc. (in Jesus name amen).

Prayer is also styled as bombarding heaven, grabbing hold to the horns of the altar, coming into God's Presence and boldly coming unto the throne of grace.

**(Heb 4:16)** \_\_\_\_\_

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More prayer, more power, no prayer, no power. God has hundreds of promises, blessings and divine inheritances that can only be appropriated through prayer. **( Eph 1:3 )**<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:

There will be times in our walk where battles become spirit wars and it will be necessary to join with one other person or persons to pray in agreement with you. **Again : Matt 18:18-20** <sup>18</sup> Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

<sup>19</sup> Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven.<sup>20</sup> For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

Ultimately, prayer stops Satan in his tracks as it relates to his attacks. Remember something however, in life, things will happen and we will never know why, but for the most part, good continual and effectual and fervent prayer of the righteous availeth much.

Many can attest of this fact, if it had not been for the prayers of my mother, grandmother, uncle etc, I would not be here today. Thank God for intercessory Prayer.

People for so long, have seriously neglected and minimized the power of Prayer. Its importance is so vitally necessary to where its Jesus' primary ministry in heaven. The sovereign mind of God does these things to set an example for us. **Rom 8:34** Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ who died, yea rather, who is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.

**Prov 3: 5,6**

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***\*God will never answer one prayer the way you and I want to see it done. This is why many have given up on God. Face it, you can't tell God how and when you want Him to do anything.***

***He is God, remember! It behooves us also to always remember to respect Him and stay reverent and humble in His presence. We need him, he does not need us.***

**Is 55:8,9**<sup>8</sup> For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD.<sup>9</sup> **For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.**

Prayer leads to the fullness of Joy **John16:14**

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By whose authority and by who's name are we to approach God in Prayer? **(John 16:23)**

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What are the first conditions in prayer? (**1st Pet 3:12**)

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*In view of being the righteous, what should be our daily petition?*

**Ps 51:7-12** <sup>7</sup> Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.<sup>8</sup> Make me to hear joy and gladness; that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.<sup>9</sup> Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities.<sup>10</sup> Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.<sup>11</sup> Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me.<sup>12</sup> Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit.

**Ps 139:23,24**

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God is a Holy God, actually more than Holy. Scripture confirms Him as being Holy Holy Holy. Therefore before we pray any petition, it is law to make sure your heart, hands, mouth and tongue are cleansed from any sin knowingly and unknowingly.

The holiness and anointing will move God's presence in your prayer.

With God, darkness is as light to Him. He sees the stains of daily sin and iniquity. This is why we must ask God to forgive us every day. This will also reduce the repercussions of our sin and again allow the God of Heaven and his Heavenly Host to begin to intervene in your life. Honesty is definitely the best policy with God.

Just as the Old Testament physical Temple was to be cleansed and purified before ministry, so should our personal physical temple.

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## **Additional essentials for answered Prayer**

**a) 1st John 3:22**

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**b) John 15:7**

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**c) Should a person expect answers to prayer while harboring a bitter spirit in his heart? Mark 11:25**

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### **Prayer Robbers:**

**a) James 4:3**

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**b) Ps 66:18**

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c) Ez 14:3 \_\_\_\_\_

d) Prov 21:13 \_\_\_\_\_

### **Note::**

God also has a problem with people praying to be seen and with vain repetition. Don't play games with God, knowing you are about to sin and are planning to ask forgiveness once you finish sinning. There is no sacrifice for that sin. **(Heb 10:26 Kj)**

Some people feel they will give their life to Christ once they are old and on their death bed. Don't deceive yourself, those are very rare occurrences. Don't allow a procrastination demon continue to fool you.

Know for a fact, prayer from others will only last while you are here on the earth. Once you leave and stand before a Holy Judging God, you are on your own.

### **Sin is dangerous.**

***As you can clearly see, God is not trying to stop us from having fun. God created FUN! He is only trying to stop us from indulging in activity that will harm or even destroy us. .***

In a given day, just imagine the weight of the repercussions of past sins, not to mention the stress of current sins. This is why, one of our greatest prayers is :

1st John 1:9 \_\_\_\_\_

Once God has forgiven you, therefore walk in your freedom, “For whom the Son sets free, he is free in-deed”. Satan will return to try and replant the guilt. Quickly tell him to get away from you in Jesus name and never return because “You are the righteousness of God and you are Forgiven). This is one reason why this is called the Amazing Grace of God.

**2 Cor 5:21 Kj** For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

**Rom 8:1 Kj** There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

**Some points to petition about:**

a) **1st Tim 2:1, 2** \_\_\_\_\_

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b) **2<sup>nd</sup> Thess 3:1,2** \_\_\_\_\_

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c) **Matt 5:44** \_\_\_\_\_

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d) **Phil 4:6** \_\_\_\_\_

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e) **James 1:5** \_\_\_\_\_

f) **Ps 19:20** \_\_\_\_\_

g) **Rev 22:20** \_\_\_\_\_