

Help! — I will help thee

One of the common themes in God's Word is His **help** for His children. We can believe and trust Him for help. God is in the 'helps ministry' and business. He sent the Holy Spirit to help us. He is our helper. Someone said one of the best prayers we can pray is "LORD, help me." This is a powerful prayer that yields results that many can easily miss.

One of the most important things "help" reveals is that we can't do it alone, I can't make it alone. It says I'm not self-sufficient. "Help" causes us to be God-dependent, not self-dependent. A lot of miracles happen in this place.

I must say I have enjoyed the Help of the Lord from all fronts. I believe the Lord helps me more than anybody else.

Everyone alive, believer or unbeliever needs help. Anyone who thinks otherwise is deceived or in denial. It won't be long until they discover that they do. We will all need help at some point in our lives. Needing help is not a sign of weakness or inferiority, but strength and humility. A strong person recognizes his weakness and seeks help.

We have almost countless promises of God's help. God has promised to help us. He can count on that.

Here is one striking truth very few people know. We do not just need help when we are stuck or when we cannot do it. **We need help from the Lord whether we can do it or not.** That is how we ought to live our lives. We should not depend on God for help when all things fall apart. It should be a lifestyle.

1) LORD, I know that the way of man is not in himself: it is not in man that walketh to direct his steps.

—Jeremiah 10:23

We weren't created to be self-dependent. We were created to be dependent upon God and to be led by Him. As we walk, we need to have the Lord as the one directing our steps. This same point is repeated in Proverbs 20:24 "Man's goings are of the LORD; how can a man then understand his own way?"

I have learned that we will experience victory and success to the degree we get help from the Lord. Some people get more help from the Lord and the Holy Spirit than others not because it is the Holy

Spirit who chooses whom He responds to more than the other, but because He responds to us based on how much we acknowledge Him and bring Him in our lives. If we want our steps to be directed by the Lord, there are things we must do. It does not happen automatically.

One of the ways to measure a man's success is by how much help he has received from the Lord. Successful people get a lot of help.

1) But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you."

—John 14:26

- a) The Holy Spirit is called the comforter.
- b) The word "comforter" comes from the Greek word "**Parakletos**" which is from two Greek words (Para which means "besides") and another word "Kaleo" which means "call." This means "called to one's side, especially called to one's aid"—Thayer's Dictionary.
 - i) The Amplified Version defines 'comforter' as "Counselor, Helper, Intercessor, Advocate, Strengthenener, Standby."

The point I want to make is that the Holy Spirit helps some people more than others because they allow Him to and ask for His help as the helper. You determine to what degree you get help from the Lord—more or less.

2) Genesis 2:18 And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him.

- a) Do you realize that when God created man, He made him a **help meet**, not a help mate?
- b) In one of God's first communications with man, He communicated that man needed help. God helped man before he sinned which reveals that even in the perfect state of man, he needed help. We need help from the Lord.
- c) He knew man needed help and he still does. Wives, help your husbands. It means a lot and it is a huge blessing to them. It allows them to flourish and prosper.

3) Isaiah 41:10 Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, **I will help thee**; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness. 13-14 For I the LORD thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; **I will help thee**. Fear not, thou worm Jacob, and ye men of Israel; **I will help thee**, saith the LORD, and thy redeemer, the Holy One of Israel.

- a) You should fear not because God our God and **Lord will strengthen you.**
 - b) You should fear not because the Lord thy **God will help you.**
 - i) Notice that God said He will help you **three times** in these verses. He emphasizes that we will receive help from Him, hence no cause to fear.
 - ii) Because we do not know where help will come from or if we will get any, we tend to fear. Knowing that there is help readily available from God Almighty, we will not fear.
- 4) Psalm 121:1-2 I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth.
- a) There is help in the Lord that is readily available to all of us. We can tap into it. We can call on it and the Lord will help us. We are not alone no matter what we are going through.

When I relocated to Uganda to help Direct Andrew Wommack Ministries and Charis Bible College during the Corona Virus plandemic, the Lord told me that He would help me. Indeed, I needed help. A lot of help. I could not survive on my own. I needed help and I encountered some challenging situations and boy did I get help from the Lord. It was spectacular.

There was a time I was ripped off by a conman and the Lord came in and helped me. I lost \$1410 to a con man who claimed to be the owner of the house I wanted to rent. God helped me and gave me favor and I was able to discover that the person who was working with the conman was the very person that was close to me, and I trusted. I called him and walked to the police station. That same day he started returning my money. This was heavenly help. ***Unless the Lord had been my help, my soul had almost dwelt in silence. —Psalm 94:17***

He also helped me get my passport back after a delayed approval and runaround for my quarantine discharge document. I had applied for 29 days but ended up with 90 days of visa. Praise the Lord. He also helped find a place to stay for almost half of the actual price.

I can speak of many other times when I have received help from the Lord. I must say that in every situation I have ever encountered, the Lord came through and helped me. Thank you, Lord, for helping. I am one individual who really needs help across the board, and I have been consistently getting it.

- 5) Hebrews 13:6 So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.

- a) We need to boldly **say** that the Lord is our helper. He wants, can, and is willing to help us. Life and death are in the power of the tongue. We create and change the environment and circumstances by our words.
 - b) We need to say or speak what we believe.
- 6) Psalm 46:1 God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. ²Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; ³Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah.

This passage brings out plenty of promises that we can stand on in the midst of any situation.

- a) God is our refuge. He will help us.
- b) God is our strength. He will help us.
- c) God is readily present to help us in any trouble. One of these promises is HELP. The Lord will and wants to help us in the midst of any trouble or difficulty.
 - i) Although it is true that we need help and that God is our help in trouble, we need help all the time not only when we are in trouble. This calls for a daily and constant dependency on the Lord. We cannot operate alone. God is our help at all times—good and bad.
- d) We will not fear. The Lord will help us.
- e) No fear even if the strangest things happen. The Lord will help us.
 - i) Though the mountains are removed. Though the waters roar and are troubled, though the mountains shake with a swelling.
 - ii) This is quite a visual. Could you imagine a mountain being removed and carried into the sea? If that happens, this verse is saying that we should not fear.
 - iii) Many times, when we see natural disasters, we can tend to fear. These verses tell us to fear not.

- 7) 2 Kings 6:26-27 And as the king of Israel was passing by upon the wall, there cried a woman unto him, saying, Help, my lord, O king. And he said, If the LORD do not help thee, whence shall I help thee? out of the barnfloor, or out of the winepress?
- a) We need to look to the Lord for our help, not man. This is the most common mistake that we all do. In many cases, God is the last one we consider when it comes to looking for help, but this ought not to be so. Man cannot help us because he equally needs help. If we put our trust in man, we hinder the help of the Lord. This was a time of famine when she asked the king for help and his response is very telling. He made it clear that it was the Lord to help her and he could not.
- 8) 2 Chronicles 14:11 And Asa cried unto the LORD his God, and said, LORD, it is nothing with thee to help, whether with many, or with them that have no power: help us, O LORD our God; for we rest on thee, and in thy name we go against this multitude. O LORD, thou art our God; let not man prevail against thee.
- a) King Asa prayed and asked God for help and what is said is very telling. He revealed that **the Lord could easily help the weak against the powerful and there was none that could help as He could.** The Ethiopians who came against them were one million men and 300 chariots while Asa king of Judah had 580,000 mighty men of valor. It is evident that he was outnumbered.
 - b) He then said we are relying on You. We must rely on the Lord to see the manifestation of the help that we need.
 - c) Even more, king Asa said, **"We rest on thee."** We need to rest and allow God to help us. We need should not be anxious. We need to cast our care and worry upon the Lord. Help is released like never before if we rely and rest on the Lord.
- 9) Isaiah 44:2 Thus saith the LORD that made thee, and formed thee from the womb, which will help thee; Fear not, O Jacob, my servant; and thou, Jesurun, whom I have chosen.
- a) The Lord who made and formed us from the womb will help us.
- 10) Psalm 121:1 I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.
- a) Our help comes from above—from the Lord. I speak God's help over you in Jesus' name.
- 11) Isaiah 50:7,9 For **the Lord GOD will help me;** therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed. 9 Behold, **the Lord GOD will help me;** who is he that shall condemn me? lo, they all shall wax old as a garment; the moth shall eat them up.

- a) The Lord GOD will help me. This was mentioned twice. The Lord means it and because he is our help, we shall not be confounded nor ashamed.
- 12) Psalm 115:11 Ye that fear the LORD, trust in the LORD: **he is their help** and their shield. 12 The Lord hath been mindful of us: he will bless us; he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of Aaron (Rich). (Parentheses mine)
- a) Those that fear and trust the Lord have the Lord as our help.
- 13) Hebrews 4:16 Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.
- a) One of the ways we get help from the Lord is through grace and mercy. The grace and mercy of God releases help to us where and when we have need.

Although help is readily available, it must be released. Some of the ways this is done is through:

① Faith—trust and believing God

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 - i) Everything in the Kingdom of God requires depending on, believing, and trusting the Lord. Unbelief hinders the flow and manifestation of this help.
 - ii) Fearing and Trusting in the Lord triggers or releases God's help on our behalf. Not trusting Him hinders the manifestation of His help.

② Prayer

- a) Matthew 7:7-8 Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.
 - i) When we pray, we are releasing or causing what is already available and provided by grace to manifest. Prayer is a sign of dependence upon God—not self and it plays a major part in manifesting the help we need where and when we need it.

- ii) Asking is crucial in receiving from God. Asking is not what causes the provision for our needs. Our needs have already been provided by grace. What asking does is release it or cause it to manifest. We need to ask, yet not only ask but ask in faith.

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