



Hindrances to answered prayer and manifestation

There are a variety of requirements outlined in God's word that have to be met for prayer to be answered and for our answers manifest. Prayers that do meet those requirements are always answered according to Matthew 7:7. It is one thing to pray or petition and it's another thing to believe and receive.

Before I go deeper into all of this, I have to mention that one thing that is true about me is that when I pray, I get serious results. I enjoy how God answers my prayers. When I pray, I get results at an astounding rate. **When I pray, things happen and as I do, God tells the angels to stop singing so He can hear me pray.**

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Of course, I'm happy to pray for you and with you but above all, to give yo the tricks or secrets that account for that success.

- 1) Praying in Jesus' name
- 2) A revelation of Jesus' love for me.
- 3) Before I pray, I discern the will of God, primarily through His Word.

One thing I have discovered is that you don't have to go about "**seeking**" things. We should be seeking God wholeheartedly and just by seeking the creator, the created things will seek us out and even outrun us (Matthew 6:33).

Seeking things could be one of the reasons we do without (do not have). Seeking things and devoting our attention on things we are seeking, hinders our own supply.

Here is a secret in plain sight: **The way you get what you want is by seeking the Lord.**

There is a difference between a prayer being answered and the manifestation of that answer.

God answers our prayers instantly when we pray according to His will. Many times, we don't perceive the answer because it always comes in the spiritual realm first before it is manifested in the physical realm (Daniel 9 and 10).

- a) Usually, there is time involved in manifestation; immediately, as they want, same hour, 24 hours, 1 day, and so forth.
- b) According to Mark 11:23-24, when we pray it's at that time that we believe that we receive, and we shall have it.

Prayer is simply communion with God. It is not just a petition or asking.

Here are some of the things that can hinder our prayers from being answered, and/or the manifestation of the answered prayers.

It is wrong to believe that people will get healed or receive whatever they need no matter what. As much as God wants His will to come to pass, His will doesn't always come to pass. There is an enemy that hinders the work of God. We have to be aware of this.

A. Praying not in the name of Jesus and Self- righteousness.

- a) Luke 18:10-14 "Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican. I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess. And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner. I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted."
- b) John 16:24 "Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full."

- c) John 14:13 "And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son."

Praying and asking through the merit of Jesus.

B. Passiveness

- a) James 4:7 "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."
 - i) We should be sick and tired of being sick. You must be willing to fight until you win.
 - ii) Quitters have never won!
 - iii) You must stand and resist the devil continuously.
 - iv) Faith is always active. It is never passive. There is nothing like a passive faith. Faith will always do something.

C. Ignorance Spiritual laws

- a) Law of sowing and reaping.
 - i) Luke 6:38 "Give, and it shall be given unto you, good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again."
 - ii) Gal 6:7 "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

- b) Seed, Time, and harvest. Seed.... time.....and Harvest

- i) Mark 4:28 "For the earth bringeth forth fruit of herself; first the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear."
- ii) There is seed and time involved in everything. Just as it takes time for a crop to grow, a baby to be born, don't dig up the seed because you do not see the fruit immediately.

c) The tongue

- i) Proverbs 18:21 "Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof."
- ii) Proverbs 6:2 "Thou art snared with the words of thy mouth, thou art taken with the words of thy mouth."
- iii) Proverbs 13:3 "He that keepeth his mouth keepeth his life: but he that openeth wide his lips shall have destruction."

Do not speak your unbelief nor your negativity.

D. Not praying according to God's will

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- a) Putting God in a box e.g. God please do it this way.
- b) Do it quickly.
- c) Wrong prayers e.g. praying to win a lottery, praying to take your neighbor's wife.

E. Not Taking our God-given authority

- a) Luke 10:19 Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.
- b) Matthew 10:8 Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give.

I'm convinced that one of the main reasons we do not see the results or the manifestation of what we are wanting and believing God for is because we do not use our God-given authority.

There are two prayers God cannot answer:

- Asking God to do what He has already done.
- Asking God to do what He has commanded you to do.
- Asking God to do what is against His nature, will, and heart.

F. Unbelief.

- a) James 1:5-7 "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord."
- b) Mark 6:5-6 "And he could there do no mighty work, save that he laid his hands upon a few sick folk, and healed them. And he marvelled because of their unbelief. And he went round about the villages, teaching."
- c) Matthew 9:28 "And when he was come into the house, the blind men came to him: and Jesus saith unto them, Believe ye that I doest thine do this? They said unto him, Yea, Lord."

- d) Mark 11:24 "Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them."

G. Sin

- a) James 3:16 "For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work."
 - i) Living in sin such as strife, unforgiving, and bitterness.
- b) 1 Peter 3:7 "Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honor unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered."
- c) John 5:14 "Afterward Jesus findeth him in the temple, and said unto him, Behold, thou art made whole: sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto thee."
 - i) Sin hinders you from receiving by opening a door to the enemy. God has provided, but sin can hinder the manifestation of our answers. It's an inroad to Satan who hinders our prayers (Romans 6:16 and 1 Thessalonians 2:18).

H. Wrong Motives

1 Samuel 16:7 "But the LORD said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the LORD seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart."

- a) Consume it on our own lusts
 - i) James 4:2-3 "Ye lust, and have not: ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not, because ye ask not. Ye

ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts."

- b) Approval and to be seen of men
 - i) Matthew 6:2 "Therefore, when thou doest thine alms, do not sound a trumpet before thee, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward."
 - c) Pride
- I. Cooperation by the other party involved.
- a) People have a will, the power, and the right to choose. Your prayer cannot override it.
 - i) John 20:25 "The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe."
 - b) Someone can choose to not cooperate which can hinder and delay the manifestation of our answered prayer."

J. Faith and Expectation

Hebrews 11:1 "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."

K. Demonic forces

- a) 1 Thessalonians 2:18 "Wherefore we would have come unto you, even I Paul, once and again; but Satan hindered us."

b) Daniel 10

i) Daniel prayed, and God answered his prayer, yet the manifestation of the answer took 21 days.

- Daniel 10:13 "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."