

THE FOUR CONDITIONS OF ANSWERED PRAYER

Further and Faster

What are the conditions for answered prayer?

1. YOU MUST HAVE AN _____ TO GOD.

John 15:7 "If you remain in Me and My words remain in you, you can ask whatever you wish and it will be given to you."

1 John 1:8 "If we claim to be without sin, we're just deceiving ourselves. The truth is not in us. However, if we confess our sins, He's faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."

Proverbs 28:13 says "He who tries to conceal his sins cannot prosper but he who admits them, confesses them, forsakes them will have mercy."

1 John 3:21-22 "Dear friends, if our hearts do not condemn us we have confidence before God and we receive from Him anything we ask [That's the promise] because we obey His commands and do what pleases Him. This is His command: To believe in the name of His Son Jesus Christ and to love one another as He has commanded us."

1 John 5:14 "This is the assurance we have in approaching God that, if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us and if we know that He hears us then whatever we ask we know that we have what we've asked of Him."

2. YOU MUST HAVE A _____ TOWARD OTHER PEOPLE.

Mark 11:24-25 "Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you've received it and it will be yours. Condition: And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive him so that your Father in heaven may forgive your sins."

Hebrews 12:15 (Living Bible) "Watch out that no bitterness take root among you for as it springs up among you it causes deep trouble, hurting many in their spiritual lives."

1 Peter 3:7 says why sometimes you haven't had an answer to prayer. "Husbands, in the same way [just like he's talked to the wives in the previous verses] be considerate as you live with your wives and treat them with respect.... so that nothing will hinder your prayers."

3. YOU MUST BE _____ THE RESULTS.

Proverbs 21:13 "If a man shuts his ears to the cry of the poor, he too will cry out and not be answered."

1 John 3:22 "We receive from Him anything we ask because we obey His commands. His commands are believe in the name of His Son Jesus Christ ... love one another as He has commanded us."

James 4:1 "What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from your desires that battle within you? You want something but you don't get it. You kill and you covet but you can't have what you want. You quarrel and you fight. But you have not because you don't ask God...v. 3 gives us another reason why our prayers are hindered: When you ask you don't receive because you ask with the wrong motive that you may spend what you get on your own pleasures."

4. YOU MUST _____ THAT GOD WILL _____.

James 1:5-7 "If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God who gives generously to all without finding fault and it will be given to him."

Mark 9:29 says, "According to your faith, it will be done unto you."

Hebrews 11:6 says, "Without faith it is impossible to please God."

