

“The LORD is nigh unto all them that call upon Him, to All That Call Upon Him In Truth.” Psalms 145:18 KJV



We often pray amiss. James writes under Holy Spirit inspiration, *“Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts.”* We ask God for things out of desire or hurt without really searching God’s Word to find out what His Desires truly are for us! Again, the Apostle John writes, *“And this is the confidence that we have in [Christ], that, IF WE ASK ANY THING ACCORDING TO HIS WILL (revealed in His Written Word), He heareth us: And if we KNOW that He hear us, whatsoever we ask, we KNOW that we have the petitions that we desired of Him.”* Another thing we may fail to take into account when we pray is, *“Beloved, be not ignorant of (don’t ignore) this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.”* God never is before HIS TIME and NEVER is behind! We live a scant 100 years at best and so our desires, even if in accordance with God’s Word, are always expected ahead of God’s timing. He deals with each of us on an individual basis; with our own hearts and sins, and aren’t you glad He doesn’t impose some other’s will upon your life when they petition Him? My Mom prayed for the salvation of some of her children over forty years and it wasn’t until just before her death that God brought them to Himself, but she never stopped! It’s not that we need to remind God of our requests as it is to remind us to trust His Perfect Timing and Knowledge! We may desperately desire the salvation of another, a loved one perhaps, but only God knows the depths of their soul and the path necessary to bring them to Himself. Some of us need to hit bottom before we’ll look up! In the final analysis we each choose our own destiny! Hell was not created for men: *“Then shall [God] say also unto them on the left hand, ‘Depart from me, ye cursed, into Everlasting Fire, PREPARED FOR THE DEVIL AND HIS ANGELS.’”* God never preempts man’s choice! If you go to Hell, rest assured, for All of Eternity you will KNOW it was YOUR OWN CHOICE!

We must align our hearts with Truth,
Before we go to God in prayer,
Then know that if we pray in Truth,
Our Lord will surely meet us there! ~CGP

Anguish can make us desire things that are just not God’s Will for another soul, so in spite of circumstances, hard hearts, and time let us above all else trust in the *“God of ALL knowledge. Trust in the Lord with ALL thine heart, and lean NOT to thine own understanding: In All thy ways (thoughts, words, and deeds) acknowledge Him and He shall direct thy Paths.”* Never think to interfere with God’s Work in another’s life. We must trust, obey, and pray until life leaves the mortal body and returns to its Maker!

“But know that the LORD hath set apart him that is Godly for Himself: the LORD will hear when I call unto him. Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still. Selah. Offer the sacrifices of righteousness (obedience to God’s Word), and put your trust in the LORD. There be many that say, ‘Who will shew us any good?’ LORD, lift Thou up the Light of Thy Countenance upon us. Thou hast put gladness in my heart, more than in the time that their corn and their wine increased. I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for Thou, LORD, ONLY makest me dwell in safety.” Psalms 4:3-8 KJV