"O <u>Thou that hearest prayer</u>, unto thee shall all flesh come." Psalms 65:2 KJV

How do we know a prayer is heard? When it is answered. Satan can answer a prayer. Thus the importance of asking only for those things that God has promised in His Word. God has not promised abundant material wealth, but has promised the supply of daily needs if we meet certain conditions. "No good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly. Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and ALL these things (daily needs)shall be added unto you." If you are disobedient and rebellious to God's Word and your prayers are being answered, it isn't God who is



answering them! "If I regard iniquity (sin) in my heart, the Lord will not hear me." And there you have it! Why would Satan answer prayers? To deceive and destroy! It is sin to disregard the commands of God. "Sin is the transgression (disobedience) of the Law (God's Word). This Book of the Law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to ALL (not just some) that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success. Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of Truth. Pray without ceasing." If you are successful without obedience to God, it isn't "good success." You cannot obey what you do not know and you cannot know what you have not read or heard! Ignorance is no excuse! "The heavens declare the glory of God...there is no language...where their voice is not heard. For the invisible things of Him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead; so that they are WITHOUT EXCUSE." God expects and deserves a return on His investment! He gave His life to save yours! Who is answering your prayers? The answer is evident in your obedience. God said, "He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad. Not everyone that saith unto me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. (Obeys God's Word) Many will say to me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Thy name? And in Thy name have cast out devils? And in Thy name done many wonderful works?' And then will I profess unto them, 'I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity." Will God know you?

The God that hears the righteous prayer, Will bear my burdens, ev'ry care, And when I enter Heaven fair, My Savior God will meet me there! ~CGP

Who answers your prayers? For what are you praying? Do you request what God wants? Are you His child? Are you walking uprightly? Are you seeking God first in all that you do? God's promises are absolute! When you find weakness in yourself to obey, there's a promise for that. "It is God which worketh in you both to will and to do…Let the Word dwell in you richly…let this mind be in you which was in Christ…be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind." God's Word is the key to your faith, your ability, your provision, and your eternity!