## Are There Any Prayers God Always Answers? January 28, 2024

Yes: 2 Kings 20:1-6, "King Hezekiah's healing."

No: 2 Corinthians 12:7-9, "My grace is sufficient for you."

**Wait a While: Exodus 2:23-25,** "The sons of Israel cried out; and their cry for help because of their bondage rose up to God. <sup>24</sup> So God heard their groaning; and God remembered His covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. <sup>25</sup> God saw the sons of Israel, and God took notice of them."

## What content in a prayer is God more likely to answer favorably?

Matthew 7:7, "Ask, and it will be given to you."

**Luke 11:13,** "If you, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him?"

**James 1:5-8,** "If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him. <sup>6</sup> But he must ask in faith without any doubting, for the one who doubts is like the surf of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind. <sup>7</sup> For that man ought not to expect that he will receive anything from the Lord, <sup>8</sup> being a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways."

**Romans 4:20-21,** "With respect to the promise of God, Abraham did not waver in unbelief but grew strong in faith, giving glory to God, <sup>21</sup> and being fully assured that what God had promised, He was able also to perform."

**Mark 11:22;24,** "Have faith in God. <sup>24</sup> Therefore I say to you, all things for which you pray and ask, believe that you have received them, and they will be granted to you."

**1 John 5:14-15,** "This is the confidence which we have before God, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. <sup>15</sup> And if we know that He hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests which we have asked from Him."

**James 4:3,** "You ask and do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, so that you may spend it on your pleasures."

**Matthew 6:9-13,** "Pray in this way: 'Our Father who is in heaven, hallowed be Your name. <sup>10</sup> 'Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. <sup>11</sup> 'Give us this day our daily bread. <sup>12</sup> 'And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. <sup>13</sup> 'And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil. [For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.']"

**1 John 1:9,** "If we confess our sins, God is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

**James 5:16,** "Confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed."

**1 John 3:22,** "Whatever we ask we receive from God, because we keep His commandments and do the things that are pleasing in His sight."