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WHEN PRAYERS GO UNANSWERED



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"Listen to my prayer, O God. Do not ignore my cry for help!" Psalms 55:1 NLT

Everyone prays, but not everyone receives answers to prayer. What should we do when our prayers go unanswered? It can be discouraging and confusing. Sometimes we conclude that God doesn't hear or care. Before we jump to wrong conclusions, let's examine some reasons why our prayers might not be answered.

HINDRANCES TO ANSWERED PRAYER

What did Jesus teach about unanswered prayer? Let's read Mark 11:23 -24: *"But you must really believe it will happen and have **no doubt** in your heart. I tell you, you can pray for anything, and **if you believe** that you've received it, it will be yours."* (Mark 11:23-24 NLT) Unbelief is our first main hindrance. Faith opens the door to answered prayer. We must believe we receive when we pray. Believing is from the heart, independent of our senses. James also confirms that we must *"ask in faith, with no doubting...for let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord."* (James 1:6-7 NKJV)

Another common hindrance to answered prayer is not walking in love. *"But when you are praying, **first forgive anyone you are holding a grudge against**, so that your Father in heaven will forgive your sins, too."* (Mark 11:25) Unforgiveness, resentment or holding a grudge will prevent us from receiving from God. The way we treat others hinders our prayers. The Apostle Peter warned husbands to treat their wives honourably. *"Treat her as you should **so your prayers will not be***

hindered." (1 Peter 3:7 NLT) Mistreating our spouse or another person can hinder our prayers. Unforgiveness and mistreatment are indicators that a person is not walking in love. Our love walk is key to operating our faith. The Apostle Paul reminds us *"what matters is **faith that works through love.**"* (Galatians 5:6 GNT)

Another reason prayers go unanswered is because the request is outside of the will of God. *"If we **ask him for anything that is according to his will. He hears us whenever we ask him; and since we know this is true, we know also that he gives us what we ask from him.**"* (1 John 5:14-15 GNT) We need to ask in line with the will of God. God's Word is His will. If we find scriptures that support our request, we can be confident that God will hear and answer.

PRAYER CHECKLIST

1. Did you pray in faith? (not doubting or "wishing")
2. Is your heart free from unforgiveness and anger?
3. Is your prayer in line with the will of God?

If you said "yes" to all these statements and you're still waiting for an answer, know that God hasn't refused your request. Delay is not refusal! God's timing is a big factor in answered prayer. Although we want the answer now, God sees the bigger picture. Ask the Lord if you need to make changes to get in position to receive the answer. When another person's will is involved, it may take time for them to change too. Be patient and persistent! Jesus told his disciples to *"**always pray and never give up.**"* (Luke 18:1 NLT)

WHILE WE WAIT

While we wait for the answer to our prayer, we must continue to stand in faith by confessing God's Word and praising Him. The Apostle Paul in the book of Ephesians tells us to put on God's armour and "**stand your ground**". (Ephesians 6:14) Standing means keeping your eyes on God's promise. Encourage yourself by quoting and meditating scriptures. This is the time to "**hold fast to the profession of our faith without wavering**". (Hebrews 10:23) While we wait, remember to practice praise. Expressing

gratitude helps us focus on the answer. The Psalmist said, "*I love the LORD, because **he hears me; he listens to my prayers***". (Psalm 116:1 GNT) Praise is a powerful force that helps us trust God and stay in an attitude of expectation. While we are waiting, we can have confidence that God hears and answers!

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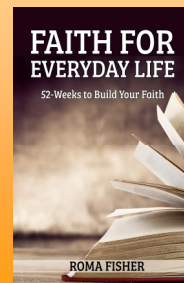
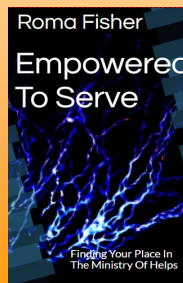
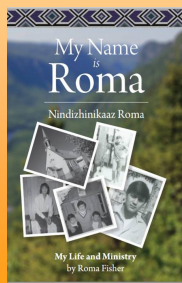
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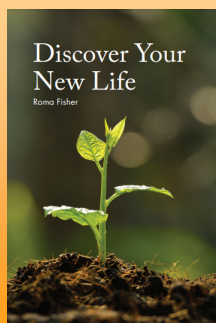
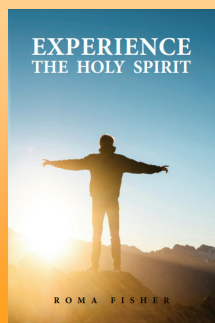
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