

How do I get ANSWERS to my PRAYERS?

Prayer involves asking ...

Prayer involves asking ...which is about God answering.

John 15:7b ... ask whatever you want and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this: that you produce much fruit and prove to be My disciples.

Prayer Problems:

- 1) Not asking
- 2) Asking selfishly

Answered prayer does not depend on HOW we ask but

#1: that we ask and

#2: WHERE we ask from

John 15:7-8 If you remain in Me and My words remain in you, ask whatever you want and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this: that you produce much fruit and prove to be My disciples.

Ask "inside the BOX"

John 15:1-2 "I am the true vine, and My Father is the gardener. Every branch in Me that does not produce fruit He removes, and He prunes every branch that produces fruit so that it will produce more fruit.

## 1: GLORY OF GOD

John 15:3-5 You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. Remain in Me, and I in you. Just as a branch is unable to produce fruit by itself unless it remains on the vine, neither can you unless you remain in Me. I am the vine; you are the branches. The one who remains in Me and I in him produces much fruit, because you can do nothing without Me.

## 2: DEPENDENCE

John 15:6-7 If anyone does not remain in me, he is thrown aside like a branch and he withers. They gather them, throw them into the fire, and they are burned. If you remain in Me and My words remain in you, ask whatever you want and it will be done for you.

## 3: MY WORDS

Ephesians 6:17-18 Take ... the sword of the Spirit—which is the word of God. Pray at all times in the Spirit with every prayer and request, and stay alert with all perseverance and intercession for all the saints.

#### 4: WHATEVER

John 15:8 My Father is glorified by this: that you produce much fruit and prove to be My disciples.

Faith is not believing God will always give us the answer we want but believing God's character (as Father) will give us the answer we need ... and that He'll get the glory He deserves.

Matthew 27:45-46 About three in the afternoon Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Elí, Elí, lemá sabach-tháni?" that is, "My God, My God, why have you abandoned/forsaken Me?"