

Sermon Notes
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“RECEIVING THINGS FROM GOD”
(Matthew 7:11)

Introduction: The primary motivation of prayer is {TO RECEIVE THINGS FROM GOD}!
(Jeremiah 33:3; John 16:24; Ephesians 3:20-21; Matthew 7:11) Why are there {DELAYS}
in receiving things we ask from God?

I. THERE MUST BE A {RELATIONSHIP} WITH GOD.

*Matthew 6:9 *Hebrews 11:6 *John 9:31 *James 5:15 *Matthew 21:21-22

II. THERE MUST BE A {RIGHTEOUS} WALK WITH GOD.

*James 5:16b *Isaiah 59:1-2 *Jeremiah 5:25 *Luke 11:3-4

Note: God often uses prayer to {SANCTIFY}!

III. THE PRAYER REQUEST MUST BE {REASONABLE}.

*I John 5:14-15 *Luke 11:2-3 *Isaiah 55:8-9

*John 15:7 *Romans 8:26-27 *James 4:2-3

NOTE: Every prayer request should include these words: “Not my will; but thy will be done!!!”

IV. PRAYER REQUESTS SHOULD BE MADE {REPEATEDLY}.

*Matthew 7:7-8 *James 5:16b-18 *Matthew 17:20-21 *Luke 18:1-8

Note: Fervency and frequency demonstrate {FAITH}.

Conclusion: God can answer prayers: {YES}; {NO}; {WAIT} (Isaiah 64:4)!