

The Irresistible Church
Is the Church That Prays with Expectancy
Matthew 7:7-11
July 4, 2021

1. How should we pray?

(Matthew 6:5; Luke 11:1)

2. As _____ with _____.

(Matthew 28:18, Hebrews 4:16)

3. With _____.

(John 11:41, Matthew 7:7-8, Jeremiah 29:12, Isaiah 65:24)

4. In line with the _____.

(Matthew 6:10, 2 Peter 3:9)

5. With _____.

(Hebrews 11:6)

6. According _____.

(Romans 4:20-21, 2 Corinthians 1:10, James 4:2)

7. With _____.

(Luke 18:1, 1 Thessalonians 5:17)

Discussion Questions

1. When God doesn't answer your prayers what is your general reaction? Frustration, anger, take matters into your own hands?
2. Why does God make us wait for His answers to our prayers?
3. Share with the group a time when God did not answer your prayers as you had prayed and His answer was better than you could have ever expected.
4. Talk about the promises of God. Are they a blank check for us to pray whatever we want? Are we manipulating God when we pray the promises of God?

Chief Crowfoot was a Canadian Blackfoot Indian chief who lived near Alberta. In 1885 there was a large Indian uprising, the Saskatchewan Rebellion, but Chief Crowfoot led his people in a path of peace; they did not join the rebellion. As a token of the Canadian government's appreciation for his help, Chief Crowfoot was given a lifetime free pass to ride on the Trans-Canadian Railroad. Crowfoot acknowledged the receipt of the free pass by putting it in a leather pouch, which he hung around his neck. He died with the pouch around his neck, never having ridden on the railroad once! The promises of God are like that lifetime railroad pass. They are given to be used, not to be stored for future reference. They are given to be believed, trusted, tried, and proved. May we launch out into the adventure of pleading the promises of God in prayer. May we see Him glorify Himself as He does "immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us" (Ephesians 3:20).

Yeakley, Tom. Praying Over God's Promises: The Lost Art of Taking Him at His Word (pp. 109-110). NavPress. Kindle Edition.

THE PROMISES OF GOD

ANSWERS TO PRAYER

1 Kings 18:37
Psalm 34:4
Psalm 37:4
Psalm 50:15
Psalm 86:7
Jeremiah 33:3
Luke 11:9-10
John 16:24
Philippians 4:6-7
James 5:15-16
1 John 5:14-15

ASSURANCE OF SALVATION

Isaiah 12:2
John 10:27-30
John 14:16-17
Romans 8:35-39
Ephesians 1:12-14
Ephesians 4:30
Philippians 1:6 1
Peter 1:5 1
John 5:11-13
2 John 1:2

COMFORT FROM GOD

Psalm 23:4
Psalm 27:10
Psalm 51:17
Psalm 55:22
Psalm 103:13-14
Isaiah 40:31
Isaiah 42:3
Isaiah 43:2
Isaiah 50:7
Matthew 5:4
Matthew 11:28-30
Matthew 28:20
Romans 8:28
2 Corinthians 1:3-4
1 Peter 5:6-7

FAITH

Psalm 5:11
Psalm 32:10
Psalm 118:8-9

Proverbs 29:25
Matthew 21:21-22
Mark 5:36
Mark 9:23-24
Mark 11:22-24
Romans 8:31
Ephesians 2:8-9
Hebrews 6:12
Hebrews 11:6
Hebrews 13:6
1 John 5:4

FORGIVENESS OF SIN

2 Chronicles 7:14
Psalm 32:5-6
Psalm 103:12
Isaiah 1:18
Isaiah 55:6-7
Matthew 6:14
Acts 10:43
2 Corinthians 5:17
Hebrews 8:12
1 John 1:9

GIVING

Psalm 112:5
Proverbs 3:9-10
Proverbs 11:24-25
Proverbs 19:17
Proverbs 28:27
Malachi 3:10
Matthew 6:1-4
Luke 6:38
Luke 14:12-14
Luke 16:9
2 Corinthians 8:12
2 Corinthians 9:6
2 Corinthians 9:8-11
1 Timothy 6:17-19

GUIDANCE

Psalm 32:8
Proverbs 3:5-6
Proverbs 16:3
Proverbs 21:5

Isaiah 30:21
Isaiah 40:11
Isaiah 42:16
Isaiah 45:2-3
Jeremiah 29:11
John 16:13
Romans 12:1-2
James 1:5
HEAVEN
Zechariah 2:10
Matthew 5:3
Matthew 5:10
John 6:51
John 14:2-3
Colossians 3:4
1 Thessalonians 4:16-17
Hebrews 9:28
Hebrews 10:37
1 John 3:2

LOVE AND CARE OF GOD

Job 23:10
Psalm 103:17
Nahum 1:7
Matthew 6:31-33
Matthew 10:29-31
John 14:21
John 15:9-10
Romans 5:8
Romans 8:32
1 Corinthians 10:13
Hebrews 12:11
1 Peter 5:7

MEDITATION

Joshua 1:8
Psalm 1:2-3
Psalm 19:14
Psalm 37:31
Psalm 63:6-8
Psalm 119:11
Psalm 119:97-99
Psalm 119:130
Psalm 119:147-149
Psalm 119:165

OBEDIENCE

Deuteronomy 4:39-40
Job 17:9
Psalm 119:57-58
Proverbs 1:32-33
Proverbs 16:7
Isaiah 1:19
Matthew 5:19
Luke 6:46-48
John 14:21,23
John 15:5
John 15:10-12
1 John 3:21-22

PATIENCE AND PERSEVERANCE

Psalm 27:14
Psalm 37:7
Isaiah 40:31
Romans 2:7
Romans 5:3-5
1 Corinthians 15:58
Galatians 6:9-10
Hebrews 10:35-36
James 1:2-4
James 5:7-8
2 Peter 3:8-9

PEACE

Exodus 33:14
Psalm 85:8
Psalm 119:165
Isaiah 26:3
Matthew 11:28-29
John 14:27
Romans 5:1
Romans 8:6
Colossians 3:15
1 Peter 3:9-11

POWER OF GOD

1 Chronicles 29:11
Job 42:2
Psalm 50:9-12
Psalm 115:3
Psalm 147:5
Isaiah 40:25-26

THE PROMISES OF GOD

Isaiah 45:2-3
Jeremiah 27:5
Jeremiah 32:17,27
Luke 1:37
Ephesians 3:20-21
1 John 4:4

PROTECTION OF GOD

2 Chronicles 16:9
Psalm 5:11-12
Psalm 20:7
Psalm 27:1-3
Psalm 34:7
Psalm 46:1
Psalm 68:5
Psalm 73:23
Psalm 84:11
Psalm 91:5-8
Isaiah 41:10
Jeremiah 17:7-8
Romans 8:31 2
Thessalonians 3:3

PROVISION

Psalm 23:1
Psalm 34:9-10
Psalm 37:25
Psalm 69:33
Psalm 72:13
Psalm 95:6-7
Psalm 111:5
Proverbs 13:4
Matthew 6:33
Mark 10:29-30
2 Corinthians 9:8
Philippians 4:19

RELATIONSHIPS

Proverbs 16:7
Ecclesiastes 4:9-10
Luke 6:35-37
Romans 12:17-20
Romans 14:1-4
Romans 15:7
Ephesians 4:2-3

Ephesians 4:15
Ephesians 4:29-32
Ephesians 6:1-3 1
Peter 3:7
1 Peter 3:8-9

RESURRECTION

Psalm 49:15
Isaiah 26:19
Daniel 12:2-3
Matthew 22:30
Matthew 25:31-34
Luke 14:14
John 5:25,28-29
John 11:25-26
John 14:19
1 Corinthians 15:42-44
2 Corinthians 4:14

REWARDS

Jeremiah 17:10
Matthew 6:4
Matthew 10:42
Mark 10:29-30
Luke 14:14
John 12:26
1 Corinthians 15:58
2 Corinthians 5:10
Ephesians 6:7
Colossians 3:23-24
2 Timothy 4:8
Hebrews 6:10

SALVATION AND ETERNAL LIFE

John 1:12
John 3:16
John 5:24
John 6:47
John 20:31
Acts 16:31
Romans 6:22-23
Romans 10:9
Romans 10:13
Titus 1:3
Titus 3:4-7
1 John 2:25