

Sunday Morning | March 13, 2016

TOUCHING HEAVEN
P R A Y E R

WHEN GOD WAITS

JOHN 15:7 (NASB)

I. ALL PRAYERS ANSWERED

TRUTH: There is no such thing as unanswered prayer.

Three insights:

1. God hears every prayer (1 John 5:14).
2. God cares about you (1 Peter 5:7 NLT; Isaiah 45:21).
3. When you pray, God answers.

TRUTH: Unanswered prayer is a perception not a reality.

TRUTH: When prayer isn't answered as we like, the problem is either the prayer or the pray-er.

II. CONDITIONS FOR POSITIVE PRAYER ANSWERS

1. A vital relationship with God (John 15:7)

INSIGHT: We listen to God first, and then He will listen to us.

2. A forgiving attitude toward others (Mark 11:24-25)

TRUTH: Forgiveness has as much to do with answered prayer as faith (Hebrews 12:15 NIV).

TRUTH: Unforgiveness cancels the answer to your prayers every time.

3. Givers get; keepers don't (Proverbs 21:13).

TRUTH: God gives no command to alleviate poverty but rather mitigate it.

TRUTH: Motive is important in answered prayer.

III. IS THERE AN ELEPHANT IN YOUR LIFE?

Two questions to consider:

1. Is there sin you refuse to admit (Psalm 66:18; Proverbs 28:13)?
2. Are you ignoring God's principles?

INSIGHT: The world, flesh and Satan are destroying the prayer lives of thousands of Christian couples by cohabitation (Genesis 2:21).