



... always pray and never give up. - Luke 18:1 (NLT)

\*Prayer is \_\_\_\_\_ communication with God.

## REMINDERS CONCERNING GOD'S ANSWERS

### 1. God \_\_\_\_\_ To Answer Prayer

'Call to Me and I will answer you, and I will tell you great and mighty things, which you do not know.' - Jeremiah 33:3

"Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you." - Matthew 7:7

### 2. God Doesn't Promise To Answer My Prayer \_\_\_\_\_

### 3. God's answers are "yes", "no", and "\_\_\_\_\_"

## REASONS GOD SEEMINGLY DOESN'T ANSWER

### 1. Your \_\_\_\_\_

#### • Sinful \_\_\_\_\_

You ask and do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, so that you may spend *it* on your pleasures. <sup>4</sup> You adulteresses, do you not know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. James 4:3-4

#### • Sinful \_\_\_\_\_ toward others

He who shuts his ear to the cry of the poor will also cry himself and not be answered. - Proverbs 21:13

You husbands in the same way, live with *your wives* in an understanding way, as with someone weaker, since she is a woman; and show her honor as a fellow heir of the grace of life, so that your prayers will not be hindered.  
- 1 Peter 3:7

### 2. Your Bad \_\_\_\_\_

“So I spoke to you, but you would not listen.” - Deuteronomy 1:43

**3. It Doesn't Fit God's \_\_\_\_\_**

Because of the surpassing greatness of the revelations, for this reason, to keep me from exalting myself, there was given me a thorn in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me—to keep me from exalting myself! <sup>8</sup> Concerning this I implored the Lord three times that it might leave me. <sup>9</sup> And He has said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is perfected in weakness.” Most gladly, therefore, I will rather boast about my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. - 2 Corinthians 12:7–9

**4. It's Not \_\_\_\_\_**

Now He was telling them a parable to show that at all times they ought to pray and not to lose heart - Luke 18:1

**5. You're Not God's \_\_\_\_\_**

The Lord is far from the wicked, But He hears the prayer of the righteous. - Proverbs 15:29

“For the eyes of the Lord are toward the righteous, And His ears attend to their prayer, But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.” - 1 Peter 3:12