



THE TEENAGE CHURCH
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INTERNATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

ANSWERS TO UNANSWERED PRAYERS

MEMORY VERSE: 1Thessalonian 5:17

Bisi happened to be an SS 2 girl in science department, and she has been failing mathematics. When it was time for her to write her final exams, she prayed to God for her to pass her exams especially mathematics. Then she heard a message that when you add fasting to your prayers it hastens answers, she decided to fast at least half day. She did the exam and tried her best but at the end of the day she had 39%. Bisi was discouraged and she asked, does **God still answer prayers?**

Why doesn't **God** really answer most people's prayers?

**Do you know how to pray in a way that will gets you result?
Is it all prayers that God answers?**

What are unanswered prayers?

Unanswered prayers are prayers that do not receive any response from God.

- They are prayers that do not yield results or testimony.
- They are dead prayers.
- They are prayers do not have God's approval.
- There are different ways by which God answers prayers; God answer prayers by saying "**YES**", "**NO**", or "**WAIT**".

Prayer is a two way communication. Unless there is a signal from the receiving end we can't say that we have communicated. Answers to unanswered prayers?

1. Many people are not children of God. **Matthew 7:7-9.**
2. It is not by coming to church that makes you a child of God.
3. Many fail to keep God's commandments. **1 John 3:22.**
4. Our sins block our prayers from God. **Isaiah 59:1-2, John 9:31.**
5. When we pray outside faith. **James 1:5-7, Mark 11:22-24.**
6. When we pray and ask with unforgiveness in our hearts. **Matthew 6:14-15.**
6. When we ask according to our own will. **1 John 5:14-15, Mathew 6:10.**

There is a story of a boy of about 6 years of age. He asked his father to give him a diamond wristwatch and the father didn't give him. He kept asking every year, his father said **wait**.

Then he got discouraged and forgot about it. Now when he finished the university education, and got married, on the day of his marriage ceremony, his father gave him a parcel containing a HOLY BIBLE and the diamond wristwatch. Then he remembered he asked his father for the gift a long time ago, he then asked his father why he was giving him the gift at this time.

His father said this is the time you'll know the value of the gift. This is what God does to some of us.

7. Failure to persist in prayer. **Luke 18:4-8, 1 Thessalonians 5:17**

When you know that it is the will of God and you haven't received it, you need to persist in prayers. Remember the story of the unjust judge.

8. Failure to praise and appreciate God. **Matthew 6:9.**
9. When we fail to pray with the seal of the name of Jesus Christ. **Philippians 2:9-11.**
10. When we pray to show-off. **Matthew 6:5-6.**

What to do to get answers to prayers:

1. Be a true and genuine child of God. **Acts 4:12.**
2. Live a life of holiness and separate yourself from the world. **1 John 2:15-16.**
3. Commit yourself to asking and doing the will of God always.
4. Cultivate the habit of studying your bible and praying regularly.

The man who knees regularly before God can stand before any man. God loves His children and He will always answer our prayers according to His own will.