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Daniel 9:18

“Answered Prayer 101”.

“O my God, incline Your ear and hear; open Your eyes and see our desolations, and the city which is called by Your name; for we do not present our supplications before You because of our righteous deeds, but because of Your great mercies.” Daniel 9:18

How you approach the Throne of Grace is critically important to the end result of your prayers being received and answered. But of course, you already knew that, didn't you? “At that time you won't need to ask Me for anything. The truth is, you can go directly to the Father and ask Him, and He will grant your request because you use My name.” (John 16:23 NLT)

Nonetheless, a lot of Christian praying can often sound like quite a different matter. “Lord, please answer my prayer for Aunt So and So because she is such a good person.” Or “Lord, You know brother So and So serves you so diligently he really, really deserves an answer to his prayers.” And so it goes, even if we tag the name of Jesus on the end of the prayer, the essence of our praying is done – “in the name of somebody else's good works or measure of need!”

Re-evaluate how you approach the Throne of God's grace. (It is the Throne of Grace not the Throne of man's labours or good deeds! Selah!).

“Father, I repent for attempting to persuade You to answer prayer based upon another person's need or righteousness. Teach me to offer my requests solely on the merits of Jesus' work and in His name coupled with a living faith. Amen.”

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