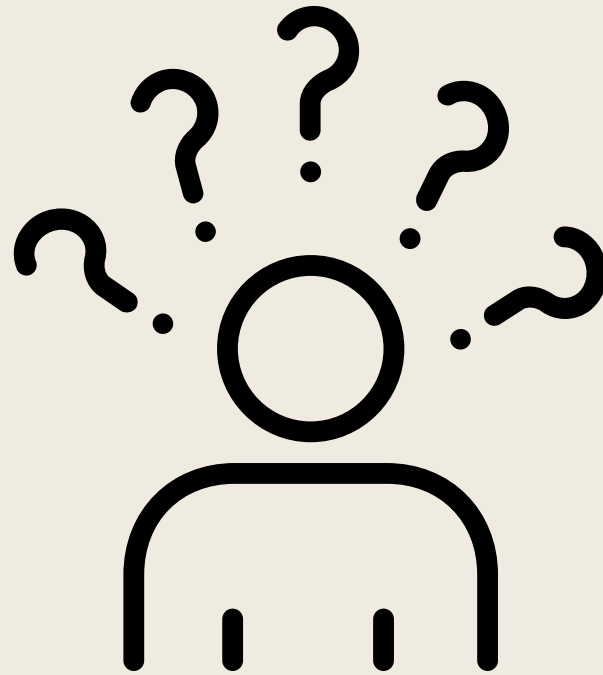




**Why** doesn't God  
answer my prayer?



Are you a **child** of  
**God?**



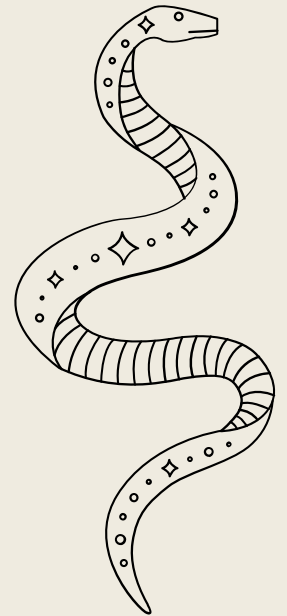
We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone **is a worshiper of God and does his will, God listens to him.**

John 9:31 | ESV

if my people who are called by  
my name **humble themselves,**  
and **pray** and **seek my face** and  
**turn from their wicked ways,**  
then I will hear from heaven and  
will forgive their sin and heal their  
land.

2 Chronicles 7:14 | ESV

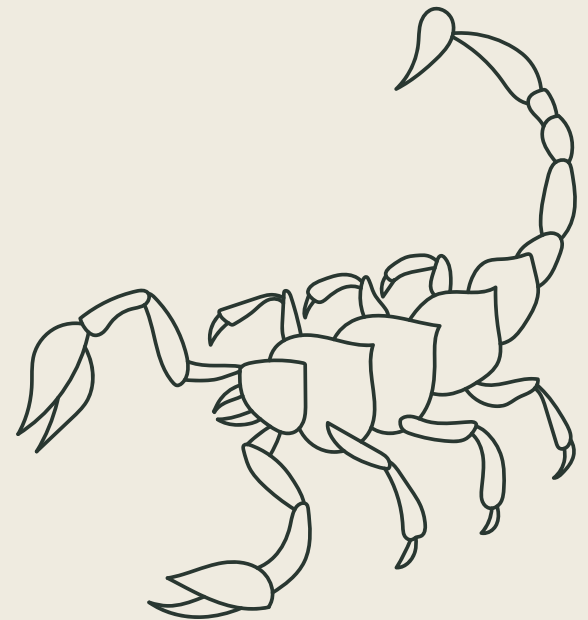
What father among you, if  
his son asks for a fish, will  
instead of a fish give him a  
serpent;



Luke 11:11–13 | ESV

or if he asks for an egg,  
will give him a scorpion?

Luke 11:11–13 | ESV



If you then, who are evil,  
know how to give good gifts  
to your children, how much  
more will the heavenly  
Father give the Holy Spirit to  
those who ask him!”

Luke 11:11–13 | ESV

But to all who did receive  
him, who believed in his  
name, **he gave the right to  
become children of God,**



John 1:12–13 | ESV



who were born, not of  
**blood** nor of the will of the  
flesh nor of the will of man,  
**but of God.**

John 1:12–13 | ESV

The eyes of the Lord  
are toward the  
righteous and his ears  
toward their cry.

Psalms 34:15–16 | ESV

The face of the Lord is  
against those who do **evil**

Psalms 34:15–16 | ESV

Are you  
walking in  
**obedience** to  
God?

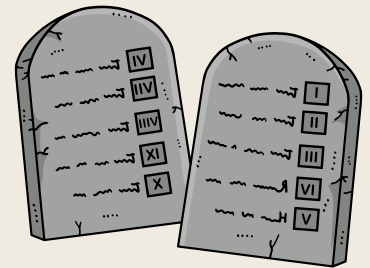


Beloved, if our heart does  
not condemn us, we have  
confidence before God;



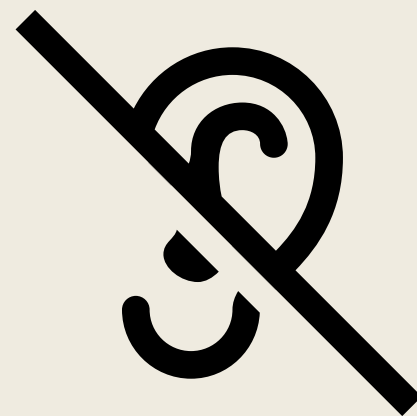
1 John 3:21–22 | ESV

and whatever we ask we  
receive from him, because  
we keep his commandments  
and do what pleases him.



1 John 3:21–22 | ESV

If I had cherished iniquity in  
my heart, the Lord would not  
have listened.



Psalms 66:18 | ESV

Is there  
someone to  
forgive?





# Scripture Reference

Matthew 18:23–35



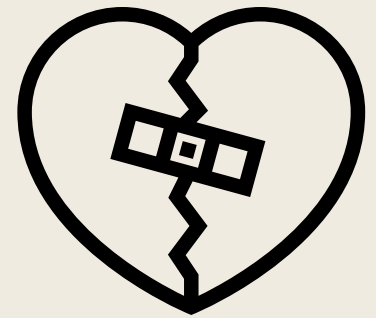
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

Matthew 6:11–15 | ESV

And lead us not into  
temptation, but deliver us  
from evil. For if you forgive  
others their trespasses,  
your heavenly Father will  
also forgive you,

Matthew 6:11–15 | ESV

but if you do not forgive others  
their trespasses, neither will  
your Father forgive your  
trespasses.



Matthew 6:11–15 | ESV

Is this the  
will of **God?**



‘Behold, I have come **to  
do your will**, O God.’

Hebrews 10:7 | ESV

Pray then like this: “Our  
Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your  
name.

Hebrews 10:7 | ESV

Your kingdom come,  
**your will be done**, on  
earth as it is in heaven.

Hebrews 10:7 | ESV



My Father, if it be possible,  
let this cup pass from me;  
nevertheless, not as I will,  
**but as you will.**

Matthew 26:39 | ESV



and this is the confidence  
that we have toward him,  
that if we ask anything  
**according to his will** he  
hears us.

1 John 5:14–15 | ESV

And if we know that he  
hears us in whatever we  
ask, we know that we  
have the requests that we  
have asked of him.

1 John 5:14–15 | ESV

Is this a selfish  
prayer?



You desire and do not have, so  
you murder. You covet and  
cannot obtain, so you fight  
and quarrel. **You do not have,  
because you do not ask.**

James 4:2 | ESV

You ask and do not  
receive, because **you ask  
wrongly**, to spend it on  
your passions.

James 4:3 | ESV

You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore **whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.**

James 4:4 | ESV

Are you  
asking in  
faith?





And Jesus answered  
them, **“Have faith in  
God.**

Mark 11:22–24 | ESV



Truly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, ‘Be taken up and thrown into the **sea**,’ and **does not doubt** in his heart, **but believes** that what he says will come to pass, **it will be done for him.**

Mark 11:22–24 | ESV



Therefore I tell you, whatever  
you ask in prayer, **believe**  
**that you have received it,**  
**and it will be yours.**



Mark 11:22–24 | ESV

Whoever closes his ear to  
the cry of the poor will  
himself call out and not be  
answered.



Proverbs 21:13 | ESV

Likewise, husbands, live with your wives in an understanding way, showing honor to the woman as the weaker vessel, since they are heirs with you of the grace of life, so that your prayers may not be hindered.

1 Peter 3:7 | ESV



# Closing Verse

**1 PETER 3:7 | ESV**

If you abide in me, and my  
words abide in you, **ask  
whatever you wish, and it  
will be done for you.**