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Cornerstone Church  
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Main Point: Call upon the Lord for shelter in the storm

Part 1 - Call upon me

Part 2 - Call to me in the day of trouble

Part 3 - I will deliver you

Part 4 - You shall glorify me

**#1 :**

“There is a direct correlation between not knowing Jesus well and not asking much from him (in prayer). A failure in our prayer life is generally a failure to know Jesus...A prayerless Christian is like a bus driver trying alone to push his bus out of a rut because he doesn’t know Clark Kent is on board.”

John Piper

Desiring God: Meditations of a Christian Hedonist

**#2:**

“If, in all our necessities, we fail to approach him, to seek him and to request his aid, we both transgress his commandment and arouse his wrath no less than if we were to make other gods besides him or to forge idols.”

John Calvin

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**#3:**

Psalm 91:15

When he calls to me, I will answer him;

I will be with him in trouble;

I will rescue him and honor him.

Matthew 7:7

“Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.”

**#4:**

Isaiah 30:19

“As soon as he hears the sound of your cry, he will answer you.”

Isaiah 65:24

“Before they cry out I will answer them; while they are yet speaking I will hear them.”

Luke 18:7-8

“Will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?”

**#5:**

“We can be sure that we will be no less heard than were Peter, Paul and all the other saints, although they were of much more holy life than we, as long as we petition God with the same and equally great and steadfast faith as theirs. For although in other ways we are inferior to them, we are similar in that we have the same command to pray and the same promise that, like them, we will be heard.”

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**#6:**

Daniel 9:18-19

“O my God, incline your ear and hear. Open your eyes and see our desolations, and the city that is called by your name. For we do not present our pleas before you because of our righteousness, but because of your great mercy. O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive. O Lord, pay attention and act. Delay not, for your own sake, O my God, because your city and your people are called by your name.”

**#7:**

1 John 2:1

“My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.

1 Timothy 2:5-6

For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all...

**#8:**

John 16:24

“Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.”

**#9:**

John 1:12-13

“To all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

**#10:**

Matthew 7:11

“If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him!”

**#11:**

Mark 11:24

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

**#12:**

“Robinson Crusoe has been wrecked. He is left on the desert island all alone. His case is a very pitiable one. He goes to his bed, and he is smitten with fever. This fever lasts upon him long, and he has no one to wait upon him – none even to bring him a drink of cold water. He is ready to perish. He had been accustomed to sin, and had all the vices of a sailor; but his hard case brought him to think. He opens a Bible which he finds in his chest, and he lights upon this passage, ‘Call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me.’ That night he prayed for the first time in his life, and ever after there was in him a hope in God, which marked the birth of the heavenly life.”

Charles Spurgeon

**#13:**

“God and the praying man take shares...First here is your share: ‘Call upon me in the day of trouble.’ Secondly, here is God’s share: ‘I will deliver thee.’ Again, you take a share – for you shall be delivered. And then again it is the Lord’s turn – ‘Thou shalt glorify me.’ Here is a compact, a covenant that God shall have the deliverance, but I must have the glory.’ Here is a compact, a covenant that God enters into with you who pray to him, and whom he helps. He says, ‘You shall have the deliverance, but I must have the glory.’ Here is a delightful partnership: we obtain that which we so greatly need, and all that God gets is the glory which is due unto his name.”

Charles Spurgeon

**#14:**

“So wide and constant is our Lord’s bounty which he showers on us, and so mighty, admirable and infinite are his miraculous works whichever way we look, that we never lack motive and opportunity to praise, glorify and extol him, and to give him thanks always and everywhere.”

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**#15:**

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

“Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.”

**#16:**

“Once we have told the Lord of our pressing need, we have every cause to be at peace, for we know that nothing of our plight is hidden from him whose goodwill to us is assured, and whose power to assist us is unquestioned.”

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