

BUT HE ANSWERED HER NOT A WORD

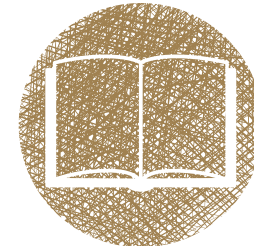
MATTHEW 15:23

GENUINE seekers who as yet have not obtained the blessing, may take comfort from the story before us. The Savior did not at once bestow the blessing, even though the woman had great faith in Him. He intended to give it, but He waited awhile. "He answered her not a word." Were not her prayers good? Never better in the world. Was not her case needy? Sorrowfully needy. Did she not feel her need sufficiently? She felt it overwhelmingly. Was she not earnest enough? She was intensely so. Had she no faith? She had such a high degree of it that even Jesus wondered, and said, "O woman, great is thy faith." See then, although it is true that faith brings peace, yet it does not always bring it instantaneously. There may be certain reasons calling for the trial of faith, rather than the reward of faith. Genuine faith may be in the soul like a hidden seed, but as yet it may not have budded and blossomed into joy and peace. A painful silence from the Savior is the grievous trial of many a seeking soul, but heavier still is the affliction of a harsh cutting reply such as this, "It is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it to dogs." Many in waiting upon the Lord find immediate delight, but this is not the case with all. Some, like the jailer, are in a moment turned from darkness to light, but others are plants of slower growth. A deeper sense of sin may be given to you instead of a sense of pardon, and in such a case you will have need of patience to bear the heavy blow. Ah! poor heart, though Christ beat and bruise thee, or even slay thee, trust Him; though He should give thee an angry word, believe in the love of His heart. Do not, I beseech thee, give up seeking or trusting my Master, because thou hast not yet obtained the conscious joy which thou longest for. Cast thyself on Him, and perseveringly depend even where thou canst not rejoicingly hope.

Taken from C. H. Spurgeon's *Morning and Evening*

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BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER MEETING

"Even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon mine altar; for mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people."

ISAIAH 56:7

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2021

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THE BIBLICAL PATTERN FOR PRAYER



"I acknowledge my sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin. Selah. For this shall every one that is godly pray unto thee in a time when thou mayest be found: surely in the floods of great waters they shall not come nigh unto him."

Psalm 32:5-6

CHURCH MINISTRIES

Missionaries Worldwide	Music Ministry
Glen Iris Baptist School	Bus Ministry
WGIB Radio (91.9 FM)	Youth Ministry
WQEM Radio (101.5 FM)	Special Needs Ministry
WAY Television (Channel 16)	Benevolence Ministry
Website (www.gleniris.net)	AWANA Youth Program
Gospel Outreach and Visitation	Blazers for Christ Ministry
Jail Ministry	Highland Manor Ministry

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS AND WORKERS

Leah Dickey and Kathi Lamb	Nursery
Josh and Ashley Wilson	Preschool
Rob and Laine Ferrill	First-Fifth Grades
Anthony and Anna Johnson	Sixth-Twelfth Grades
Brian and Robin Babin	College and Career
Don Graham	Sunday School of the Air
Gayle Waits	Ladies' Bible Class
Joy Garrison	Special Adults' Class
Paul and Donna Hancock	Primary Church
Bart and Brooke Booth	Children's Church
Josh Wilson	Sunday School Superintendent

MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

Carolyn Herrington

Baptist Medical and Dental Missions

- Please pray for the family of Joel Chavez, who recently passed away. He pastored for many years in Nicaragua.
- Pray for all the families associated with our Mission who are facing severe financial difficulties

CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER NEEDS

Health Needs

Janet Brock	Jerry Dickey	Stan Waits
Robert Crocker	Jackie Lightfoot	Sheryl Woodward
Gary Dennison	Gloria Randolph	Buddy York

Home/Nursing Home-Bound

Mary Sue Allen	Bill Leon	Geraldine Sizemore
	Pearl Marcus	

Special Requests

Bobby Moll - Princeton Hospital
Eldon Joslen - Princeton Hospital

COLLEGE AND CAREER

Jay Babin	Stephen Ferrell	Win Otamias
Jeremiah Babin	Geon Lee	Caralise Roach
Walton Ferguson	Hyun Lee	Savannah Saruse
Candie Ferrell	Shayna Lightfoot	Charisma Yeluri
Carlie Ferrell		Sara Young

SCHOOL FACULTY

Dr. Jim Boyce	Amy Griffin	Jani Pickett
Jonathan Dickey	Chris Lamb	Melanie Saruse
Leah Dickey	Kathi Lamb	Dale Scruggs
April Everett	Elise LeCroy	Brad Shaddix
Mary Beth Garrison	Natalie LeCroy	Grace Shaddix