

# DEVOTED...Resolution to Transformation

## "Engaged in Prayer"

### Selected Passages

**Introduction:** For transformation to take place in the life of a believer, God's Word and prayer are imperative. Prayer invites the opportunity to turn the insights of God's Word into a life-changing \_\_\_\_\_.

### What Keeps Our Prayers From Being Answered:

- \_\_\_\_\_ (Matthew 7:8)
- Unconfessed \_\_\_\_\_ (Isaiah 59:2)
- Broken \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Peter 3:7)
- Uncaring \_\_\_\_\_ (Proverbs 21:13)
- Inadequate \_\_\_\_\_ (James 5:16b—Amplified Bible)

### When We Ask, How Does God Answer:

- If the Request is Wrong, God Says, "\_\_\_\_\_" (Luke 9:51-56)
- If the Timing is Wrong, God Says, "\_\_\_\_\_" (John 7:6-8)
- If You are Wrong, God Says, "\_\_\_\_\_" (Mark 10:35-40)
- If the Request is Right, the Timing is Right, and You are Right, God Says, "\_\_\_\_\_" (Matthew 7:7-11)

### Why Pray, If God Knows Everything: (It Allows Us...) (Hebrews 4:16)

- To \_\_\_\_\_ Him for Who He is
- To grow and become more \_\_\_\_\_ in our relationship with Him
- To show our \_\_\_\_\_ for all God has done
- To share our \_\_\_\_\_ with the God of the Universe
- To experience \_\_\_\_\_ even in the midst of life's pressures
- To see our lives from God's perspective and His \_\_\_\_\_ for us

### Why Pray, If God Is Sovereign

- Our \_\_\_\_\_ and His Sovereignty
- His Will of \_\_\_\_\_ (Romans 8:28) vs. His Will of \_\_\_\_\_ (2 Peter 3:9)

**Application:** Prayer and God's Word are gifts from God that lead us to His presence, power and perspective and eventually to His best for us. What is keeping you from God's best? \_\_\_\_\_