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What to Do When Your Prayers Seem Unanswered



Most of us have the idea that if God wills something to happen, it just happens instantly—that there is no such thing as time or distance or resistance to what God wills. But is that what the Bible reveals?

God's Word is His will. So when we ask anything according to a promise in His Word, we can rest assured He has heard us and that we have what we've asked for. But there are some qualifications for asking and receiving. As James 4:3 says,

Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts.

The Lord loves us so much that He won't give us things that are bad for us. And Mark 11:24 says,

Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.

We have to believe we receive what we ask for when we pray, and then we shall have it. This means we must have faith when we pray—not when we see results—in order to receive.

Maybe you're thinking, *I believe what God's Word says, but I also can't deny what I see and feel.* How can these things be reconciled? There is a simple way to reconcile what God's Word says with what we see and feel. And for me, the key is found in the book of Daniel.

Daniel was a powerful man of God who served the Lord while the Jews were in captivity to the Babylonians, Medes, and Persians. Through prayer, he interpreted Nebuchadnezzar's dream (Dan. 2) and the handwriting on the wall (Dan. 5), and he was delivered from the lion's den (Dan. 6). Daniel was no novice, yet he didn't get the same results every time he prayed and asked things of the Lord.

In Daniel 9, for instance, Daniel had only prayed for a few minutes—and was still in the middle of his prayer—when the angel Gabriel came with God's answer.

Yea, whiles I was speaking in prayer, even the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening oblation. And he informed me, and talked with me, and said, O Daniel, I am now come forth to give thee skill and understanding. At the beginning of thy supplications the commandment came forth, and I am come to shew thee; for thou art greatly beloved: therefore understand the matter, and consider the vision.

Daniel 9:21–23

That's awesome! I'm sure we'd all love it if God interrupted all our prayers to give us the answer.

But in Daniel 10:1–11, we see Daniel praying another prayer with very different results. In this instance, Daniel prayed and fasted, and it took three weeks to receive an answer. Why did it take only a few minutes in Daniel 9 but three weeks in Daniel 10?

The answer is that there is a lot happening in the unseen spiritual realm that we can't perceive with our physical senses.

It didn't take the Lord three minutes to answer Daniel's prayer in Daniel 9 and three weeks to answer his prayer in Daniel 10. **The Lord answered both prayers instantly.**

Then said he unto me, Fear not, Daniel: for from the first day that thou didst set thine heart to understand, and to chasten thyself before thy God, thy words were heard, and I am come for thy words.

Daniel 10:12

These scriptures in Daniel 9 and 10 reveal that the Lord answered *both* of Daniel's prayers from the beginning, although the period of time it took for Daniel to receive the answers varied greatly.

Even Jesus experienced this. Jesus healed ten lepers in Luke 17:12–19, but healing didn't manifest instantly. It happened as *they went* to show themselves to the priest for their cleansing. Mark 11:24 says that we must believe we receive when we pray, and then we shall have it. That implies time. I don't think it has to take a long time, but it often does take some time.

Scripture reveals that the Lord wasn't the variable in either of the answers to Daniel's prayers. He was the same (Heb. 13:8). But there was a demonic power that opposed the messenger bringing Daniel his answer. Look at what Daniel 10:13 says:

But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days: but, lo, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me; and I remained there with the kings of Persia.

This "prince of the kingdom of Persia" is describing a demonic power that operates in the unseen spiritual realm.

Ephesians 6:12 says,

For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

Satan can hinder the manifestation of our answered prayers like he did with Daniel. If we don't understand that and continue with the false idea that once the Lord commands an answer, it just happens instantly, then our faith will falter when we don't see immediate results.

What if Daniel had given up on the twentieth day? What if he thought, *I got an answer in three minutes last time. This time it's nearly three weeks. God must not have answered my prayer. If Daniel had done that, I believe he wouldn't have seen God's answer—even though it was already on the way.*

Once again, Jesus said in Matthew 21:21 that we have to believe and doubt not. Paul also said something similar in Galatians 6:9:

And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

The "if we faint not" is crucial to this promise. If Daniel had wavered in his faith, he would not have received anything of the Lord (James 1:6–7), but that wouldn't have been because the Lord didn't move. It would have been because Daniel gave up on his prayer. Sadly, that's what happens to us many times. We need to remember that the Lord is always faithful to His Word and commands the answer to our prayers, but they can be hindered and take time to manifest. The answer is on the way; but if it's hindered, we need to remember the Lord's faithfulness and be patient for the manifestation.

I'm out of space here, but I have a new 44-page booklet that I think would be a great blessing to you if you'd like to learn more about this topic. You can order it by going to awme.net/pray, calling our UK Helpline at +44 (0) 1922 473300, or simply filling out and returning the enclosed form.

We love you,

Andrew and Jamie

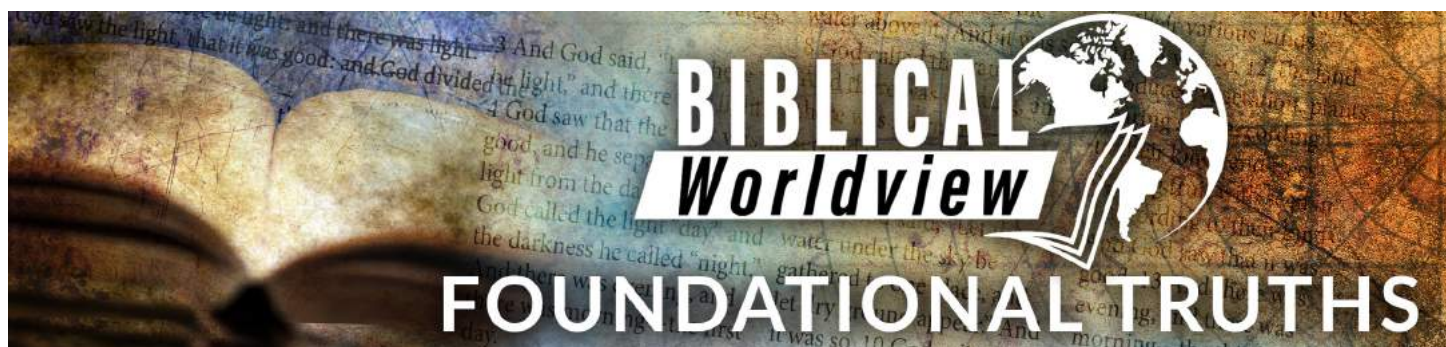


Booklet

Are you feeling discouraged with your prayers?

Andrew's new 44-page booklet, *What to Do When Your Prayers Seem Unanswered*, will give you the tools to gain a deeper understanding of the forces that influence prayer.

It will help you stay strong in faith, even when it seems like nothing is happening. Don't give up! Equip yourself with the knowledge you need to unlock the answers to your prayers.



Biblical Worldview: Foundational Truths

Did you know that two people can look at the same thing and see it totally differently? There are people who can hear the same story or experience the same event and come to completely different conclusions. There are a lot of negative things happening in the world today, and how you respond to them is going to be determined by how you see things—your worldview.

You might be wondering what a worldview is. A worldview is just a framework of basic beliefs that influences how you see things. Now, whether you know it or not, you do have a worldview. You have a way of looking at things. It's a paradigm. It's a way of thinking that shapes your perception of every single thing that comes your way. Over a period of time, based on what you're taught, you will develop a worldview.

Each of us sees things based on what we believe and, sad to say, there is only a small percentage of people, including Christians, who see the world through the Word of God and have a biblical worldview. The reason that society is going in a certain direction is because people have departed from having a biblical perspective on things.

A biblical worldview will make you see things differently from people who don't have the same perspective. Look at the example of death, which is something common to every single person. There are some people that respond to death in nothing but total fear, terror, and dread.

When God created Adam and Eve, death was not part of His original plan for mankind. Death entered the world as a consequence of sin.

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord..

Romans 6:23

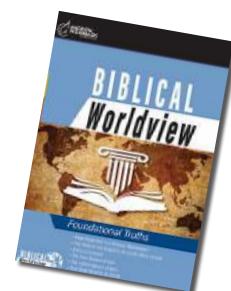
Death was never something God wanted you to experience. But if you accept the gift of salvation

that Jesus offers (John 3:16–17), death is actually a glorious thing. Heaven is going to be so awesome that it won't matter how much you suffer here on earth. If you accept what Jesus did for you, it won't matter what you've gone through or how deep your sorrow and grief might be. When you go to be with the Lord, the things that happened here won't even come to mind (Is. 65: 17).

People who have a secular worldview and whose only hope is in science, or doctors, or the government, will take what's in the news and start reacting negatively. People will plan for disaster, insurance rates will go up, and the economy will suffer. All of this is striking fear in people's hearts, and if you don't have a biblical worldview—if you don't know what God says—you'll buy into the things they're saying.

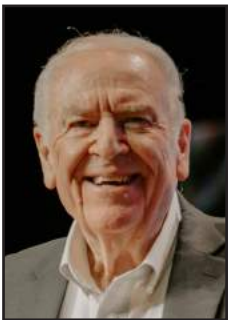
Now, if you had a biblical worldview, instead of being terrified and afraid, you could see all of the signs of the time coming to pass (Acts 1:10–11; 1 John 2:28; Rev. 22:12, and 20) and think, Praise the Lord, this is getting close—the second return of the Lord is coming! You can have a totally different reaction. It really just comes down to your way of looking at things. Are you looking at the world through the Word of God, and is that how you process and react to things? Or do you deal with things based on your own understanding or secular worldview? Most people don't let the Bible get in the way of what they believe.

What I've written here is just the introduction to Biblical Worldview: Foundational Truths. There is much more to learn about developing a biblical worldview, so please order this curriculum today, at awme.net/shop or call our UK Helpline at +44(0)1922 473 300.





Living on the High Side of Victory



Wendell Parr, Ministry Ambassador

With fifty years in ministry as a Pastor and Teacher, Wendell teaches some of the most fundamental truths of Christianity. As a Senior Instructor at Charis Bible College, students receive a wealth of wisdom through his Holy Spirit, Old Testament Survey, and New Testament Survey classes.

Have you ever been in a situation where it seemed like the harder you tried the worse things got? Well, you're not alone. If you have decided to live by faith, there are going to be times when it seems like everything is going wrong.

You will face challenges, but I've got three points to help you reach the high side of victory!

The first point is that God is not testing you.

Jesus told us in John 10:10 that the thief comes to steal, kill, and destroy. He will use anything he can to get you to throw in the towel and quit because he knows that's the only way he can defeat a Christian. The devil wants you to doubt God and His Word. Stand firm and believe God.

The second point is that Jesus warned us of tribulation ahead of time. In John 16:33, Jesus said, *"In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world."*

In this world you *will* have tribulation. That means affliction, distress, pressure, and burdens. This doesn't necessarily mean you've missed God. There are times in Scripture when God's people are in the centre of His will, but it seems like everything is going in the opposite direction.

This leads me to my third point. Be of good cheer!

Jesus said, when tribulation comes, be of good cheer. That's not what we want to hear in times of trouble. But Jesus said this more than once. Why? Because He has overcome the world! When Jesus healed the man with palsy in Matthew 9, He told him to be of good cheer because his sins were forgiven. When the disciples were in the storm and Jesus came walking on the water, He said, *"Be of good cheer; it is I"* (Matt. 14:27 and Mark 6:50).

If you don't have anything else to be cheerful about, you can be of good cheer that Jesus has overcome the world, your sins are forgiven, and He will never leave you nor forsake you in your storm!

In Acts 27, Paul was a prisoner on a ship in the middle of a storm at sea, and it seemed like things couldn't get any worse. Everyone had lost hope of being rescued—except Paul, who encouraged the men to **be of good cheer**; he even said it twice! Why? Because he had sought the Lord, and the Lord said, *"Fear not"* (Acts 27:22–25). In a time like that, Paul chose to trust in God and put this into practice. As a result, they all lived to tell the story.

If things are getting worse in your life, hold on. Be of good cheer! Stand on the promises of God, and you'll be on the high side of victory!





From Mountains to Miracles

Do you ever feel like your problems seem to multiply? Tim Abello was an ordinary Christian living in Oklahoma with his family—worrying about health and finances every day—and just feeling stuck.

But a weekend shopping trip changed all that.

In a small Oklahoma bookstore, Tim stumbled across Andrew Wommack's book *You've Already Got It*. As he read the back cover, he was amazed at how accurately it described his life. Feeling defeated and wanting more from the Christian life, he quickly realised the biblical truths in this book were the key to his transformation.

To his delight, Tim learned that Christ had already provided for all his needs at Calvary. The work was finished! **He just needed to come into agreement with God.** One scripture really spoke to his heart:

*For verily I say unto you,
That whosoever shall
say unto this mountain,
Be thou removed, and
be thou cast into the
sea; and shall not doubt
in his heart, but shall
believe that those things
which he saith shall*

*come to pass; he
shall have whatsoever
he saith.*

Mark 11:23

When Tim commanded his chronic migraines to flee in the name of Jesus, they left! **But his healing was just the beginning of what his faith in Christ's blood would bring.**

Tim, his wife, and five kids took another step closer to receiving more of God's blessings when he felt called to Charis Bible College. The night before their big move to Colorado, Tim still had no idea where they would live. After touring some rental houses, Tim lacked peace. When he went home, he took a leap of faith and asked the owner of a beautiful house listed online to lower the rent. Miraculously, the owner agreed!

Tim recalls,

*I knew that if God
was calling me to
Colorado, I wasn't
going to suffer for
Jesus, because He
came to suffer for us.
I started confessing
everywhere I went*

*that we're going to prosper
more on accident in Colorado
than we ever did on purpose.*

Tim was right! **At Charis, he not only prospered in relationship with God but also made divine connections that ultimately led him to financial prosperity.** Despite the initial struggle to find work while attending school, Tim prayed for guidance and later launched his own multimillion-dollar roofing business with no experience.

Once again, God had stretched Tim's imagination. Now Tim was not only healed but completely debt-free! What about you? Are you talking to God about the problems in your life, or are you speaking directly to the problems and commanding them to be removed?

Because of our friends and partners, people like Tim are experiencing God's best for their lives through Andrew's materials. Healing and financial prosperity aren't just for Tim! **Every believer has access to a wealth of blessings beyond their wildest dreams.** Don't just take it from us—go ahead and experience it for yourself!

Visit awmi.net/abello to hear more of Tim's story!

Quotation edited for length and clarity.



One Charis, Many Locations

What sets Charis Bible College apart from other Christian colleges in the United States? Deep discipleship. Since 1994, Charis Bible College has been transforming the lives of thousands of students, and this year marks a special milestone in its history—the **twentieth anniversary of Charis stateside locations!** It's been amazing to see how Charis campuses across the United States have changed the lives of so many.

In 2003, we established our first stateside location beyond our main campus in Colorado. This campus—Charis Chicago—was just the beginning. We now have twenty-one locations across the United States in addition to our main campus, Charis Woodland Park. Even with so many locations, **each Charis campus offers the same life-changing biblical teaching from Andrew Wommack and Charis instructors**, allowing every student access to the same rich Charis experience. And the stories of how Charis students are changing the world are truly inspiring.

Take the story of a Charis Cincinnati student who fell off a stage and injured her ankle. After prayer, she was miraculously healed and able to walk again without issue. Or the graduate from Charis Dallas-Fort Worth who saw improvement in his marriage and advancement in his career—he credits Charis for helping him reach stability and prosperity. Or the student from Charis Raleigh-Durham who, shaken by a mass shooting in her neighbourhood, turned her fear over to God.

Following the Holy Spirit's leading, she attended a memorial and prayed with those hurting. The Lord used her to help bring one teen out of depression and guide another into a relationship with Christ!

At Charis, we are passionate about building a legacy to impact lives for generations to come. We've had grandparents and grandchildren of Charis graduates attend our schools, and we want to see great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren attend too. Our partners are essential to Charis and its legacy. As Andrew continues to follow God's leading on where new campuses need to be planted, the love of our partners enables the life-changing work of Charis to flourish. Through their support in finances, fellowship, and prayer, we have seen countless lives changed by and for the Gospel.

Charis Bible College's remarkable growth and expansion have transformed the landscape of Christian education, and we have no plans to slow down. If you are looking for community, relationship, and most of all, purpose, Charis can help prepare you to walk out your destiny with confidence. Visit **CharisBibleCollege.org.uk** to learn how you can be part of this powerful movement!



Featured Testimony

*"You will keep him in perfect peace,
whose mind is stayed on You:
because he trusts in You"*

People living above Sophia were making loud noises during the night, as if someone kept hitting something all night long. Sophia said, "it wasn't a natural sound, and I believed it was demonic. This had been happening for 2 years". The phone minister spoke peace into the situation, and that Sophia would be able to sleep peacefully without any disruptions. Two weeks after the prayer, the people moved out and it is now nice and quiet.

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- Olag, UK

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