



Pray for one another,
that you may be healed.”

James 5:16

**“We can do much after we pray,
but we can do nothing until we pray.”**

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“Sure!”

A.K.A.

“Yes Dear!”

Is anything too hard for the LORD?

I will return about this time next year,
and Sarah will have a son.”

Genesis 18:14

- 1. “Harold can you come and baptize and pray for him in case he doesn’t make it?”**
- 2. “Harold I just hope God allows us to keep him.”**
- 3. “Harold how do you begin to say thank you to someone who just saved your child’s life.”**



“Is anything to **“wonderful”** for the Lord...?

“Is anything too **“hard”** for the Lord...?

The term claims God’s promises will not fail,
that **God will always find a way
into the future.**

Mary said to the angel, since I am virgin?
The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will
come upon you and the power of the
Most High will overshadow you;
therefore the child will be called Son of
God.... For nothing is impossible with
God. Then Mary said, Here I am, the
servant of the Lord...

Luke 1:34-38

Elisha and the Shunammite Woman

**“At this season in due time,
you shall embrace a son.
She said, No way Jose’.”**

II Kings 4:8-17

What's the point?

This notion of having a child
(Sarah, the Shunammite woman)
isn't just about having a child;
it's about moving beyond a limited
view of the future and considering
God's possibilities.

God will always find a way into the future.

God's Covenant with Abraham:

Abraham your descendants will be as vast as the sand on the shores.

God's Covenant with Moses:

God said: I hereby make a covenant. Before all your people I will perform marvels, such as have not been performed in all the earth or in any nation; and all the people among whom you live shall see the work of the LORD; for it is an awesome thing that I will do with you.

God's Promise to Mary:

*“Mary you will give birth to a son
and he will be the Savior of the world
and you will name him Jesus
and he will be the Son of the Most high.
God will always find a way into the future.*

Jesus is the future!

Jesus' New Covenant

Jesus' New Covenant with you
and me and the world:

And he did the same with the cup
after supper, saying,
“This cup that is poured out for you
is the ***new covenant*** in my blood.

Luke 22:20

Jesus on “Nothing is impossible with God...”

“It’s difficult for a rich man
to enter the Kingdom of God,
For God all things are possible.

Mark 10:27

“..if you have the faith the size
of a mustard seed you can move mountains,
and ***nothing will be impossible for you.***”

Matthew 17: 20

“God makes the promised future possible. God serves as the source of hope in situations where the way into the future seems entirely blocked off. God gives shape to possibilities when all around us seems impossible. The active engagement of God in the midst of the problems of daily life opens up the future rather than closing it down.”

The Interpreter's Bible

Questioning God?

- **Moses Questions:**

“God, can you find someone else for the job. You got the wrong guy. I stutter. I know nothing about leadership. I am just a simple goat herder.”

- **Gideon Questions:**

He has a conversation with an Angel...under the oak at Ophrah. He asked, “If the Lord is with us then Why has God caused this to happen to us? And by the way where are all his wonderous deeds...”

Judges 6:13

You placed yourself between the one who needed and the One who could give it...You Prayed. I prayed. For Soldiers. For Senators. For prodigals and preachers and prodigal preachers. You dropped a coin in the beggar's cup with a prayer. You ran your hand over the head of your child with a prayer. You read the news of yet another war, divorce, or scandal, and you prayed, **God have mercy.** You've done what Abraham did. You've stood where Abraham stood. In between them and Him. And you wondered, ***Does God listen?***

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Abraham is Questioning God

“Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?”

Genesis 18: 25

In other words, “Lord if you want me to be a blessing to all the nations don’t you think I might need to be involved in this decision about what is just and what is unjust. You see Lord, let’s think big picture. Sodom’s fate could impact all of Israel’s fate.”

Abraham Standing In the Gap

What I like about Abraham is he really seems to be concerned about ALL the people...

“For the sake of All.” Shouldn’t we all be concern about the fate of all...the righteousness of all.

Doing Justice means keeping the way of the Lord.

You might not have all the resources to fix all the problems but you do have this: **PRAYER**. Amazingly, according to the Bible your prayer can prompt the response of God in the lives of those you love.

“Come near to God and God will come near to you.”

James 4:6

If prayer is all you have,
prayer is all you need.

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- **You are His child**
- **You are His ambassador**
- **You are a part of His Royal Priesthood**