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ASK – SEEK – KNOCK

In Matthew 7:7 it says, ***“Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: for every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.”***

God does not want to withhold things from us. He gives good gifts (James 1:17) to His children. Yet, it doesn't just fall out of the sky. We receive all things by faith that we ask for. We ask, then seek God's face, and continue to knock on the door of Heaven until we get our answer.

God wants us to develop our faith to be able to stand when the fiery darts come from Satan. We must have faith to win the victory, but it comes from asking, seeking, and knocking.

We can't give up the first time we ask when something doesn't happen immediately. We must take God at His word and remind Him of His promises. We speak the word to Him. He loves to hear us speak His promises to Him in prayer. In Isaiah 1:18 God tells Isaiah, ***“Come now, and let us reason together...”*** This is communicating with God. Israel had fallen into idolatry, but God wanted to converse with them.

When we ask and we don't receive an answer we must check our hearts to make sure there is no sin. This is the second part of receiving. We seek after God and keep the conversation going. If there is any sin it must be confessed. Sins aren't always big things. It may be a proud look, or small lie. This hinders our receiving from God. Then we continue to believe the promises God has given us and continue knocking until we get our answer. We must never quit asking, seeking, and knocking.

God is a good God and wants to bless his children, but just like with our natural children we don't give them everything they ask for because it may not be good for them, or they aren't ready for it. God is the same with us. He knows what we need and when we need it. So, if you continue asking and seeking and knocking, He is sure to answer in His timing.

Don't give up!