

Prayer Epiphanies!

“Unshakeable Faith” -Part 10

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Turn in your Bible to Daniel Chapter 10

1. Every time we pray, God R_____ something

2. Fasting R_____ prayer

Types of fasts: (Please consult your doctor if you have diabetes or other medical condition that may make fasting hazardous to your health).

1. **Partial Fast** - In this type of fast you give up a part of your regular diet for a time.

Daniel 10:3, "I did not eat any tasty food, nor did meat or wine enter my mouth, nor did I use any ointment at all, until the entire three weeks were completed."

2. **Complete Meal Fast** - Complete fast of or more meals a day. Many people skip breakfast and or lunch then eat dinner.

3. **Total Food Fast** - This often consists of only drinking water and juices for a fast. No food.

4. **Total Fast** - No food. Only water.

5. **Fast Other Than Food** - Many diabetics and others with eating disorders fast from a pleasure other than food. Television, movies, or a hobby, while devoting themselves to prayer.

When you feel hungry: Set aside special times to pray even if it is only 5 minutes several times daily.

Fasting Focus: Fasting is not about *earning* things from Him but *learning* things from Him

3. God ALWAYS R_____ to prayer requests

God's three responses are:

1. YES
2. NO
3. NOT YET

Why would God say “No” to your prayer request?

- **Unconfessed sin**

But your iniquities have separated you from your God; your sins have hidden his face from you, so that he will not hear” (Isaiah 59:2).

If I had cherished sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened; (Psalm 66:18).

- **Unforgiving heart**

“And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive him, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins” (Mark 11:25).

- **Unacceptable Motives**

³When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures” (James 4:3).

Why is the answer sometimes “Not Yet?”

- **Underdevelopment**

- **Demonic attack**

4. Prayer will R _____ your strength (V. 17-18).

5. We must R _____ to fight in prayer

How to begin a relationship with Jesus...

Admit that you've sinned (missed the mark of perfection)
(Rom3:23)

Believe that Jesus is Lord, that He died on the cross for your sins and was raised from the dead (Rom. 10:9, John 3:16, 1 Peter 1:3)
Choose Jesus. Choose to Love God above all (Matt. 22:37, Eph. 5:1).