Series: Ready, Aim, Pray

Message: Prayer Target #3: God's Provision

Scripture: Matthew 6:11 Speaker: Randy Pope

 7 "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.

MATTHEW 7:7

²² "And all things you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive."

MATTHEW 21:22

^{13a} "Whatever you ask in My name, that will I do,... ¹⁴ "If you ask Me anything in My name, I will do it.

JOHN 14:13A-14

²³ "In that day you will not question Me about anything. Truly, truly, I say to you, if you ask the Father for anything in My name, He will give it to you.

JOHN 16:23

- 1. Do I Realize That God Owes Me Nothing Except That Which He Has Promised?
- 2. Do I Realize That Every Promise God Makes **Carries With It Legitimate Conditions?**

Three Conditions for Answered Prayer

1) It must be offered from a pure heart.

¹⁴ "If you ask Me anything in My name, I will do it.

JOHN 14:14

²² and whatever we ask we receive from Him, because we keep His commandments and do the things that are pleasing in His sight.

1 JOHN 3:22

³ You ask and do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, so that you may spend it on your pleasures.

JAMES 4:3

2) It must be in accordance with God's will.

¹⁴ This is the confidence which we have before Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. ¹⁵ And if we know that He hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests which we have asked from Him.

1 JOHN 5:14-15

3) It must be accompanied by faith.

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MATTHEW 21:22

¹³ Is anyone among you suffering? Then he must pray. Is anyone cheerful? He is to sing praises. ¹⁴ Is anyone among you sick? Then he must call for the elders of the church and they are to pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; ¹⁵ and the prayer offered in faith will restore the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up, and if he has committed sins, they will be forgiven him. ¹⁶ Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much.

JAMES 5:13-16

Different types of sicknesses:

- 1) Sickness unto death
- 2) Sickness for chastisement
- 3) Sickness for the glory of God
- 4) Sickness for the glory of Satan

3. Do I See My Request In Light Of God's Mercy, Grace And Justice Or Only In Light Of God's Mercy and Grace?

4. Do I See My Request In Light Of My Comfort, Convenience And Character Or Only In Light Of My Comfort And Convenience?

² Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials, ³ knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. ⁴ And let endurance have its perfect result, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

JAMES 1:2-4

5. Do I See My Request In Light Of The Temporal And Eternal Or Only In Light Of The Temporal?