



“LORD, I NEED AN ANSWER!”

LESSON AIM: To encourage and equip believers for the season of unanswered prayer.

CASE STUDY ON UNANSWERED PRAYER: David-Psalms 13

- He is **Disappointed** in God’s timing. v.1 “How long, O Lord”?
- He is **Discouraged** in God’s memory v. 1b “Will you forget me forever?”
- He is **Dissatisfied** in God’s invisibility v. 1c “How long will You hide Your face from me?”
- He **Devises** plans based on his perception of God’s inactivity v. 2a “How long shall I take counsel in my soul,”
- He is **Dejected** with the pain of his problem v. 2b “Having sorrow in my heart daily?”
- He is **Despondent** over the position of his enemies v. 2c “How long will my enemy be exalted over me?”

CHARGE DURING THE SEASON OF UNANSWERED PRAYER

“Pray without ceasing”-1 Thessalonians 5:17

“The greater the resistance, the greater the reward”

“When the WIND is against you, The WIN is not far away”

PERSISTENCE- “To continue to try, and will not take no for an answer”

- **Bartimeaus** -Mark 10:46-52

PERSERVERANCE- “To outlive your obstacle or opposition”

- **Hannah**-1 Samuel 1:8-18

PATIENCE- “The capacity to calmly endure pain or problems”

- **Job**-Job 13:15

CONTINUANCE DURING THE SEASON OF UNANSWERED PRAYER

So Jesus answered and said to them, "Have faith in God."- **Mark 11:22**

LIFE’S QUESTION: What’s going to keep me continuing in prayer, during this season?

LIFE’S ANSWER: MY FAITH!

MY FAITH CONSIST OF:

- **COGNITION** (Knowledge) OF GOD-Psalms 8
- **CONVICTION** (Experience) IN GOD-1 Samuel 17:33-37
- **EXPECTATION** (Anticipation) OF GOD-Ephesians 3:20

CHECKLIST DURING THE SEASON OF UNANSWERED PRAYER

- ✓ **REEXAMINE YOUR PRAYER**-1 John 5:14-15
 - ❖ Does the content of my prayer match God's character?
 - ❖ Does my prayer match the will of God?

- ✓ **REFUEL YOUR FAITH**-Romans 10:17

- ✓ **REEVALUATE YOUR RELATIONSHIPS**
 - ❖ **Job's Wife**-Job 2:9
 - ❖ **Achan**-Joshua 7

- ✓ **RESTRICT UNSPIRITUAL IMPARTATION**-Proverbs 4:23, 1 John 4:1

"Whoever has your ear affects your thoughts; your thoughts affect your faith"

- ✓ **REPAIR FAULTY RELATIONSHIPS**-Mark 11:24-26

- ✓ **REJOICE WHILE YOU WAIT**-Psalms 34, Psalms 42:5