

“Facing the Challenge of ‘Unanswered’ Prayer – Part 2

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Four types of answers to prayer:

Direct Delayed Different Denial

God may withhold direct answers because of...

1-Issues of the Heart

James 4:6; Matthew 21:22; Mark 11:24-26; 1 Peter 3:7; 1 John 3:22
Psalm 66:18; Isaiah 59:2

2-Asking with wrong motives – James 4:3

3-Asking outside of God’s will – 1 John 5:14-15

4-There may be spiritual warfare at work – Daniel 9:23; 10:12

5-He is accomplishing greater purposes in us and through us for the sake of His eternal glory and our eternal good

So...what do we do in times of “silence from God?”

1-Trust -- > unfailing love / Rejoice -- > salvation /
Sing -- > goodness

2-Keep on praying / don’t give up

3-Seek opportunities to glorify God IN your circumstances

4-Keep an eternal perspective – 2 Cor. 4:8