

The God Who Hears
How To Connect Deeply With God

1. Identify the _____ trying to control

- a) What am I _____?
- b) Why do I _____?
- c) What outcome have I _____?

2. _____

Matthew 5:3 *God blesses those who are poor and realize their need for him, for the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs.*

- a) _____

Matthew 13:58 *And so he did only a few miracles there because of their unbelief.*

- b) _____

- c) Release the _____

- d) _____ as the only true treasure

Matthew 6:33 *But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.*

3. _____

- a) _____

Hebrews 4:16 *So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most.*

- b) _____ you will see the goodness of God

James 4:2 *You do not have because you do not ask God.*

- c) Let _____ bring you back to Jesus
I gave that to Jesus and He knows what to do with it!

Father, today I will make plans, work hard, love well but I will not demand results. I give the outcomes of this day to you. I trust that being with you and under your rule is better than anything I might gain or lose today.

2 Chronicles 16:7 *Because you depended on the king of Aram and have not depended on the LORD your God, the army of the king of Aram has escaped from your hand.*

Matthew 9:29 *Then he touched their eyes and said, "According to your faith will it be done to you."*

2 Corinthians 1:8-9 *We were under great pressure, far beyond our ability to endure...But this happened that we might not rely on ourselves but on God, who raises the dead. He has delivered us...*

Matthew 7:11 *So if you sinful people know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give good gifts to those who ask him.*

2 Chronicles 14:11 *"O Lord," he cried out to God, "no one else can help us! Here we are, powerless against this mighty army. Oh, help us, Lord our God! For we trust in you alone to rescue us, and in your name we attack this vast horde."*

James 5:17-18 *Elijah was as human as we are, and yet when he prayed earnestly that no rain would fall, none fell for the next three and a half years! Then he prayed for rain, and down it poured. The grass turned green, and the crops began to grow again.*

Psalms 40:1 *I waited patiently for the LORD; and He inclined to me and heard my cry.*

Don't be troubled by trouble. Circumstances cannot change the character of God. God's grace is still in full force; he is still for you, even when you don't feel it. When you feel abandoned by God yet continue to trust him in spite of your feelings, you worship him in the deepest way. Rick Warren