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Mighty Prevailing Prayer: Experiencing the Power of Answered Prayer

4. God Has Answers for You

The opening chapter of a book on prevailing prayer. It defines prevailing prayer and assures the reader that answered prayer is meant to be a normal, frequent experience, not a rare gift for a favored few.

Key takeaways

- Prevailing prayer is prayer that actually obtains the answer, overcoming delay, opposition, and hard circumstances.
- It relies on the Spirit — guiding how you pray, deepening your desire, empowering the prayer, and strengthening your faith until the answer comes.
- God wants answered prayer to be common for every believer, even children and new believers, not reserved for special saints.
- Some needs are genuinely harder than others (Jesus said so), and later chapters explain why.
- God's eternal plans are fixed, but He chooses to work out the details in cooperation with the prayer and obedience of His children.

Passages worth keeping

“Prevailing prayer is prayer that obtains the answer sought. It overcomes delay, opposition, and unfavorable circumstances.”

The book's working definition of its central subject.

Scripture referenced

- **Mark 9:29** -- Jesus notes some situations are far more difficult and require more in prayer.