

# Answer Me, O LORD!

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PSALM 119:145-152

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(145) “I cry out with *my* whole heart; Hear me, O LORD! I will keep Your statutes. (146) I cry out to You; Save me, and I will keep Your testimonies. (147) I rise before the dawning of the morning, And cry for help; I hope in Your word. (148) My eyes are awake through the *night* watches, That I may meditate on Your word. (149) Hear my voice according to Your lovingkindness; O LORD, revive me according to Your justice. (150) They draw near who follow after wickedness; They are far from Your law. (151) You *are* near, O LORD, And all Your commandments *are* truth. (152) Concerning Your testimonies, I have known of old that You have founded them forever.”

# Prayer Must Be Accompanied with *Action*

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# James 2:14-26 ESV

(14) “What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? (15) If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, (16) and one of you says to them, “Go in peace, be warmed and filled,” without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? (17) So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. (18) But someone will say, “You have faith and I have works.” Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works. (19) You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe—and shudder! (20) Do you want to be shown, you foolish person, that faith apart from works is useless? (21) Was not Abraham our father justified by works when he offered up his son Isaac on the altar? (22) You see that faith was active along with his works, and faith was completed by his works; (23) and the Scripture was fulfilled that says, “Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness”—and he was called a friend of God. (24) You see that a person is justified by works and not by faith alone. (25) And in the same way was not also Rahab the prostitute justified by works when she received the messengers and sent them out by another way? (26) For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, so also faith apart from works is dead.”

- “What good is it, my brothers? –v. 14
- “Can that faith save him? – v. 14
- “What good is that? – v. 16
- “So also faith by itself, if it does not have works is dead. – v. 17
- “I will show you my faith by my works. – v. 18
- Even the demons believe – and shudder! – v. 19
- Do you want to be shown... that faith without works is useless? – v. 20
- Was not Abraham our father justified by works...? – v. 21
- You see that faith was active along with his works, and faith was completed by his works; – v. 22
- You see that a person is justified by works and not by faith alone. – v. 24
- ... was not Rahab the prostitute justified by works...? – v. 25
- For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, so also faith apart from works is dead. – v. 26

# Faith Comes from Hearing

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- ❖ “My eyes are awake through the *night* watches, that I may meditate on Your word”
  - ❖ Be Diligent
    - 2 Timothy 2:15
  - ❖ Desire the Word
    - 1 Peter 2:2
  - ❖ You need to mature
    - Hebrews 5:12-14

ROMANS 10:17

So then

**FAITH**

comes by hearing,  
and hearing by the

**Word of God.**



# You are Near, O LORD

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- ❖ “They draw near who follow after wickedness; they are far from Your law.
- ❖ “You are near, O LORD, And all Your commandments are truth.
  - ❖ “Draw near to God and He will draw near to you.” – James 4:8
  - ❖ “The Lord is near to all who call upon Him, to all who call upon Him in truth.” – Psa 145:18

**The Bible will  
keep you from sin,  
or sin will keep you  
from the Bible.**

- D.L. Moody



# How May We Draw Near to God?

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(19) “Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, (20) by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, (21) and since we have a great priest over the house of God, (22) let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.” -

Hebrews 10:19-22 ESV

- ❖ With a true heart – (Matthew 5:8)
- ❖ Full assurance of faith  
– (Hebrews 11:1)
- ❖ Having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience – (1 Timothy 1:5)
- ❖ And our bodies washed with pure water. – (John 3:5) 1 Cor. 6:11

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