

# Lord, Teach Us to Pray 2 of 4

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“From the secret place of prayer came the power that shook the world in the Great Reformation”  
*Great Controversy*, page 210.

From where did the power in the reformation come? From the secret place of prayer. If you and I are to share in the power of the close of God's work in this world, we must learn the power that comes from the secret place of prayer.

In our study last Friday night, I gave you several objectives to seek in prayer, several reasons to pray, several purposes to accomplish in prayer. What was the first of those? Have our burdens lifted. That's right. And then, second? Guidance, to know God's will for us individually. And third? Power and strength to do God's work, to accomplish His will. In other words, when our burdens have been lifted and we have found what God wants us to do, then we need to pray for strength to do it, don't we? Yes.

I want to give you another objective in prayer tonight. It's found in 1 John 5:16

“If any man see his brother sin a sin which is not unto death, he shall ask, and he shall give him life for them that sin not unto death...” 1 John 5:16.

That sin unto death is the unpardonable sin, and as John adds here:

“...I do not say that he shall pray for it” 1 John 5:16.

There came a time when Judas was beyond the reach of prayer, but that wasn't until he went out from the last supper.

And so for all others, for every erring soul, there is the possibility of reclaiming that lost soul, if somebody will do what? Pray.

“If any man see his brother sin a sin which is not unto death, he shall ask...”

Who shall ask? Why, the one that sees the erring man. Ask who? Ask God...”

“...and he...”

God

“...shall give him...”

The one that prays.

“...life for them that sin not unto death” 1 John 5:16.

This is a text on soul-winning through prayer. And the name of that is intercession. So my dear friends, prayer is to advance beyond lifting our own burdens, getting our own guidance, receiving power to meet our own temptations, we are to go on into the experience of intercession.

That was the great thing that lifted the experience of Jesus far above the ordinary. Not for Himself, we're told, but for others He lived and thought and prayed. His whole life was the pouring out of Himself for others.

So, tonight, as we think of praying that our burdens may be lifted, that we may have guidance, that we may have the strength to meet temptation, let us add this great objective of interceding for others. One by one, let us bring their names into the presence of God. Jesus did that with His disciples. And each one of us is to have those who are dear to us as those disciples were dear to Jesus.

What was it He said to Peter?

“...Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: But I have prayed for thee...” Luke 22:31–32.

Are you praying for somebody? Several somebodies? The Lord grant it, my friends. That gives to prayer a golden glow, a mighty reason that nothing else can.

Now, last Friday night I began to study with you seven pointers on prayer. We only got to the first 4. So we'll go further tonight. But let's review, briefly, those that we had the other evening. The first was what? Have what? A place to pray. That's right.

“...when thou pray, enter into thy closet [A place to be alone with God]...” Matthew 6:6.

You remember with that, we read *Mount of Blessing*, page 84:

“Have a place for secret prayer. Jesus had select places for communion with God, and so should we”  
*Thoughts From the Mount of Blessing*, page 84.

Did He have more than one place? Oh yes, He had many places, because He was in many places. He traveled about. And doubtless, even when He was a boy at Nazareth, there was more than one tree under which He prayed, for we're told that sometimes He was on the mountainside, sometimes in the valley. But whether out in nature or in the room alone with God, we need to have a special place to pray.

We pointed out that if you are so situated that, that means just a corner of a room, then close your eyes, whisper to God, shut out the world in your thinking, let other people go on with what they may have to do. If you're a soldier boy in the barracks, and they throw the boot at you, the way they have at some of our young Seventh-day Adventists, that's all right. You can keep right on until you've had your talk with God. Have a place to pray.

Then second, we studied what? Have a time to pray. In order to pray all the time we need a special time to pray, just as in order to pray everywhere we need a special place to pray. What particular times are pointed out in Inspiration? Morning and Evening. But I want to tell you something, folks, if I was working the 3 to 11 shift in a typical hospital setup, my morning would be a little different from somebody else's morning, and my night would be a little different from somebody else's night, wouldn't it? That's right.

So, let us remember that whenever we need to approach God, He's there, waiting to hear us. He doesn't keep office hours, or rather His office hours are from 12–12, from sunset to sunset. He's always on call, always available. We need a special time to seek Him.

Third, we studied that we need to learn to pray how? Aloud, where only God can hear us.

“Learn to pray aloud where only God can hear you”  
*Gospel Workers*, page 425.

And fourth,—Listen. The third point is to use our lips; the fourth point is to use our ears. That may not be these outward ears. It's the brain cells that need to hear. And God can get to them without using these ears at all. Do you suppose a deaf man can pray to God, and God can answer him? Why, yes. Sure. And so as you and I kneel in prayer, talk to God aloud, we can stop talking and start listening.

Now this point, like every other point, needs to be guarded from extreme, fanatical ideas. There are those who will take any idea that comes to them when they have prayed and say, “The Lord told me this. The Lord told me that.” And sometimes the Lord leaves them to their own folly.

There is only one infallible voice of God in this world, and that is His voice through His Word. Any man may be mistaken in what He thinks to be the voice of God speaking to Him in the secret place of prayer. And anybody that denies the statement I have just made is throwing himself wide open to the suggestions of the enemy.

“...believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they  
are of God...” 1 John 4:1.

Well, you say, “That leaves me in confusion.” Then, pray until you get out of confusion. Study until you get out of confusion. But never think that any idea which pops into your mind, just because you've prayed, is necessarily inspired and infallible. We're to take counsel of sanctified reason surrendered to the Holy Spirit. We are told that there is a certainty in sanctified submission to the will of God, and this is the only certainty that any man has a right to stand on.

Those who have had a genuine experience with God in matters of prayer know that sometimes after we have prayed and studied and come to the best conclusion we have, that a few hours or a few days later, we find a different answer to our problem. But we often find that the answer that we got at the beginning has been a bridge to take us to the place where God wants us, the

experience God wants us to have.

Unless you get hold of that principle, you will find yourself in one of two problems. You'll either find yourself refusing to change any idea you got on your knees, for fear you'll offend God, or else, you'll find yourself in frustration, feeling, "Well, I don't know. Yesterday I felt this, and today I think this. So I don't know anything."

God has not required us to be infallible, friends. He doesn't expect us to be. There's a man over in Rome who says he is, but you and I don't believe it, do we? And if one man over there isn't infallible, I don't think there are any men this side of the Atlantic who are infallible, do you? And praying won't make us infallible.

But if every time we prayed, the thought which came into our minds was inspired of God and the perfect answer, couldn't we all be infallible? Certainly. We're not. But I can tell you this, friends, God will give us enough light to do what He wants us to do, and that's all we need. Isn't it? There are a lot of things we'd like to know that He hasn't planned to reveal to us, at least not today.

"...What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter" John 13:7.

So, along with entering in an earnest way into this matter of listening, let us pray that God will keep us from all fanaticism and extreme ideas.

Those are the four things we studied last week. Tonight I bring you the fifth point of these seven pointers on prayer, and that is: Present His promise. Present His promise.

"And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he hears us: And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him"  
1 John 5:14–15.

We're to ask according to what? His will. And the way to find out what His will is, is to study His Word, because this is His will. And anything you find in here that God has promised that's His will for you. And you can present that promise.

"And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he hears us: And if we know that he hear us... we know that we have the petitions" 1 John 5:14–15.

You say, "Well, I'm afraid that limits things." Yes, it does. It limits it to a very small circle, doesn't it? There's really not very much that you and I can get in that circle, is there? Ah friends, not one of us has begun to explore the vast magnitude of the field that is open before us in this promise. There are dozens, scores, hundreds of promises in this Book, and every one of them is subject matter for prayer.

I go down to the bank here. I stand there and I see people going up to the

window and getting money. One man goes up and I watch, and I see the teller gives him \$10.00. I say, "That's fine. I wish I had \$10.00." Another man goes up to the window, and the teller gives him \$25.00. I say, "That's better yet."

And I keep watching. It's really interesting. Here's a man who goes up to the window and he gets \$100.00. And so I venture up to the window. And I think I'll be careful and conservative and not ask for too much, and so I say to the teller, "Would you please give me \$2.00?" What would he say? He would probably look at me, won't he?

I say, "Well, now, that other man got \$5.00, and then, there was one man who got \$25.00, and another man got \$100.00. I see people getting money here. Couldn't I have \$2.00?"

What will he say? "Where is your check? Have you got money in this bank?"

I say, "No. I don't have a penny."

"Well, is there anybody that does have money in this bank, that has written a note to this bank, an order that says to give you this money they've in the bank?"

And I say, "Oh, is that the way you get money here?"

"Yes. That's the way."

"No other way?"

"No other way."

What am I looking for? Oh, I'm looking for somebody that has money in that bank, right? The teller is not authorized to give me a penny without such an order. But he's authorized to give me \$100.00, \$1,000.00, \$10,000.00, if there's somebody that has that much money in the bank and is willing to sign an order to give it to me. Is that correct? How many of you ever got money from the bank that way? May I see your hands? Does it really work? Well, it seems to, many of you are raising your hands.

Friends, that's exactly the thing to do when we come to the bank of Heaven. Prayer is a science. It isn't some haphazard thing. The laws of prayer are just as definite as the laws of economics. And if you want something at the bank of Heaven, don't just wish for something. This isn't just any Santa Claus idea. All over the country right about now, thousands of little children are sitting down and writing letters to Santa Claus. Some of them are fortunate to have some people that will intercept the letter and do something about them because Santa Claus himself won't do a thing about any of them, right? Yes.

And all over the world there are people that are bowing down before pagan idols, and they're trying to tell those pagan idols what they want, my friends. Will they get anything from them? No. The Bible says:

"...eyes have they, but they see not: They have ears, but they hear not... hands, but they handle not: feet have they, but they walk not..." Psalm 115:5-7.

But listen, if you do not get answers to your prayer, how is your case any better than that poor man over there in Japan, or India, that's knocking his head on the stones before those idols? How is it any better? What's the matter with that man? He doesn't have a check. That idol hasn't promised him anything, but if you go to God and just invent a lot of things that you wish you had, and you don't present the promise of God, then you're no better off than that poor fellow over there.

Bring to God the promise He has made. But you say, "Well, I don't know whether the thing I want has a promise or not." Well, you'd better find out, then. One of Uncle Arthur's bedtime stories tells about a little boy whose mother heard him praying one evening for an elephant. In all seriousness, the little boy was praying for an elephant. Well, his mother had to give him a little lesson on prayer. He needed it, didn't he?

But I think there're some people 4 or 5 or 6 feet high that need the same lesson, friends. They're praying for white elephants. God is good enough not to give them those things that would only consume time, take up space, and be of no good whatsoever. No, if you want something from God, bring a promise.

Now let me read this to you, not only from the Bible but from the divine commentary, the Spirit of Prophecy:

"Prayer and faith are closely allied, and they need to be studied together. In the prayer of faith there is a divine science; it is a science that everyone who would make his lifework a success must understand. Christ says, 'What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.' Mark 11:24. He makes it plain He makes it plain that our asking must be according to God's will..." *Education*, page 257.

Did I just read that out of the Bible? That's right.

"...this is the confidence that we have in him that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he hears us"  
1 John 5:14

"He makes it plain that our asking must be according to God's will; we must ask for the things that He has promised" *Education*, page 257.

Will you repeat that with me?

"We must ask for the things that He has promised" *Ibid.*

Once again:

"We must ask for the things that He has promised" *Ibid.*

Now, if I'm a child and I'm so anxious to go somewhere, and father and mother have told me that I can't go, is the thing for me to get down on my knees and say, "Dear Lord, change daddy's mind and change mother's mind so that they'll let

me go”? Is that the way to pray? Well now, if I’m childish enough, I can do that. But is there any promise in God’s Word that He’ll change the heart of my father and mother, and cause them to allow me to go someplace that they’ve already told me not to go? Is that the way to pray? No, because God hasn’t promised that.

Of course, when I grow up, it’s all right to ask God to change the hearts and minds of all the people that get in my road and don’t do what I wish they would, isn’t it? Or is it? No. I am to ask for the things that He has promised. That would cut down some people’s Christmas list, friends—some of these lists that they make of what they want God to do, and what they want God to give them. Ask for the thing that He has promised. Present the promise of God.

You say, “Well, can’t I pray about something I want to do, which somebody is keeping me from doing?”

Yes. I can pray that God’s will, will be done, and that God will work all things together for my good. Could you think of anything better than that? Romans 8:28 is the check to present at the window on that. And if I really believe that my parents, or my teachers, or my guardians, or the dean, or somebody is interfering with what ought to be done in my life—I think I ought to go home when it’s required that I stay, or I think I ought to stay when somebody is trying to arrange it for me to go somewhere else—I can get down on my knees and say, “Lord, You’ve said that You would work everything together for my good. Now I don’t think they’re working things together for my good. So, Lord, I appeal to You to intervene.”

Will God fulfill His promise? Yes, He will, but it may not be in changing the teacher’s mind, or the dean’s mind, or the parent’s mind. It could be that He’ll change what? My mind. Is that right? Or could it be possible that my mind needs changing? Could it? Could that be the reason that I need to pray? Yes. That’s right.

I remember an experience about 30 years ago that I had. Another young man and I were holding some meetings. One night we were very burdened about the young people’s work in the place where we were holding these meetings. He and I got together in prayer and we spent several hours in prayer. We were burdened.

I shall tell you this much about it, friends, that when we went into that prayer season, we were praying, most of all, for a certain person that we thought was standing in the way of the success of the young people’s work there. But do you know that after we had prayed about it several hours, we got an entirely new view of that, and we thought that instead of that person standing in the way, we were the ones who were standing in the way? That’s right. So God answered our prayers, but not in the way we had started to pray about them. And you could see that if we had just gotten down and rattled off a prayer that God would change that other person’s mind and went on our way, we wouldn’t have gotten the purpose of prayer accomplished at all, would we? No.

So I say to you, friends, present the promise. Present the promise of God, cling to that promise, claim that promise, and believe that God will fulfill His promise.

“We must ask for the things that He has promised” *Ibid.*

Let me ask you something. If a person didn't know very much about the Bible, could he be very successful in prayer, then? He'd be like a man without a checkbook, wouldn't he? A man without any checks. Remember, all these promises are signed by the Savior. His name is written in blood—His own life sacrificed for us. Oh, I thank God for this promise book. Don't you? Bless God for it. It is like a book of Traveler's checks. Travelers we are, friends. And the checks are made out to us.

But I'll tell you, and that brings me to the next point: You know what you have to do when you get money down at the bank for the check that's made out to you, whether it's a Traveler's check or the check of somebody else? What do you have to do? You have to sign it, either on the front, with the Traveler's check, or on the back, with an ordinary check. You put down your name.

What does that mean? That's an endorsement. It means two things. It means, first of all, I'm the man that this check is talking about. Is that right? Yes.

And second, it means this is my statement that I have received the money this check calls for. Is that right? All right.

Turn to Mark 11:24:

“Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray...”

Do what?

“...believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them”  
Mark 11:24.

What are you to do when you pray? Believe. Do I go to the bank and give the banker the check and then say, “Well, now, I hope that I get this next week?” Do I? No. What do I do? I stand there until I get it. But what does he expect me to do before I get it? Sign my name. I wonder what a teller would say if I should say to him, “Well, now wait a minute. I'm not going to sign my name until you hand over the money?”

There are people that deal that way with God, friends. They don't have any faith that their prayer is going to be answered until they see it. But Jesus says:

“What things soever ye desire, when ye pray...”

Do what?

“...believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them”  
Mark 11:24.

Which do you do first, have it or believe it? You believe it first. Is that right? Do you do it that way? Is that the way you do it? Do you have it first, and then believe it? The first is man's way; the second is God's way. We had better take God's way, if we want God's answer, right?



Back to that book *Education*. You know this book on education is to educate us to pray, along with other important things in education. And after quoting this text I have just read from Mark 11:24, I read (I'll read the text so you get the setting.):

"What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.' Mark 11:24. He makes it plain that our asking must be according to God's will; we must ask for the things that He has promised, and whatever we receive must be used in doing His will. The conditions met, the promise is unequivocal.

"For the pardon of sin, for the Holy Spirit, for a Christlike temper, for wisdom and strength to do His work, for any gift He has promised, we may ask; then we are to believe that we receive, and return thanks to God that we have received" *Education*, pages 257–258.

Until I've said, "Thank You," is my prayer finished? It may be interrupted, but it isn't finished. I'm to say, "Thank You." But before I say, "Thank You," I must receive it. And before I receive it, I must believe it. And before I believe it, I must ask for it. Ask, Believe and Claim. The ABCs of prayer—Ask, believe and claim.

And, ah, my dear ones, there's many a weary heart, many a sad soul that spends moments and hours and days and weeks in darkness, when he could be in the light if he'd just do this simple thing.

"We need look for no outward evidence of the blessing"

May I add, for no inward evidence of it either?

"...we need look for no outward evidence of the blessing. The gift is in the promise, and we may go about our work assured that what God has promised He is able to perform, and that the gift, which we already possess, will be realized when we need it most" *Ibid*.

Isn't that nice? Oh, I think that's wonderful, friends.

You know, we're tied in with the electric power line, here. Do you suppose we could have more than we have tonight? Is there plenty on the power line? Yes. It awaits our demand, which in turn is a matter of our needs, right? Yes. And when I read in Philippians 4:19, "My God shall supply all your need, if my need is ten cents, I can take that promise to God and say, "Lord, my need is ten cents." And God will hear and answer that prayer, and when I believe the promise, then I have the answer, friends, and my need, the answer to it will be realized when I need it most.

I want to share a very interesting experience that I read in the *Review* this month. It is the issue of November 2, 1961—a most interesting little story. I think I'll read it to you. It'll only take a few minutes. It's just wonderful. It's written by Elder Berglund, who at present, is acting as chaplain at a place where they take care of boys that are delinquents, who haven't obeyed the law—boys that don't know much

about law, either divine or human. But he's telling of the change which came in one boy's life. Listen:

"James is an attractive lad of thirteen. He came to us from one of the largest cities of our country and carries a criminal record that would do credit to any thief" Elder Berglund, *Adventist Review*, November 2, 1961.

Just 13 years old. Listen:

"Listed are thirteen business burglaries, an assault and battery charge, several bicycle thefts, a couple dozen house burglaries, and a thousand dollar embezzlement charge. He can use burglary tools with the expertness of an adult. His adult thinking is anti-social and criminal. When I first saw James about a year ago, he knew nothing of the Bible except a few texts he had picked up outside his own home. He had no church ties of any kind. His father had deserted his large family of nine children following a charge of robbery" *Ibid*.

So many sad broken homes today, friends.

"I asked James whether he would like to join my Bible class, and he readily accepted. From the beginning he manifested a deep interest. He has also taken a number of the written Bible lessons and the Junior course of *Adventures in the Holy Bible*. But even with this growing interest in God's Word, I was hardly prepared for what was soon to take place in James' life.

"Because of his excellent behavior the school recently granted him a week's furlough..."

He calls it a school. It's a reform school.

"...so that he could visit his family at home. Upon his return he asked whether he might talk with me. I took James to my office where we might be alone. He told me that in the course of his visit at home one day he had gone to see his uncle in the same city. Having concluded his visit there, he roamed about to see other points of interest nearby. As he wandered from street to street, he suddenly realized that it was getting late and that he should be turning in the direction of his home. But which way should he go? He was plainly lost in a great city and penniless" *Ibid*.

A 13-year-old boy.

"James stood at that busy street corner bewildered and confused. A strange sense of helplessness came over

him, and with it a sense of need for help that could come only from God. All this was something new for James. Usually he had known exactly what to do under such circumstances. But taking that course now...”

In other words, looking for something to steal.

“...seemed revolting to his conscience. In a way, he was surprised at himself for he had not known that he had a conscience. Never before had he heard a voice that spoke to him like the voice that now spoke. But that voice was speaking now, and it was telling James that he ought to pray. For the first time in his life James asked God for a definite answer. One quarter.”

“He, who before, had always known what to do to acquire money and other things he wanted, was now lifting his voice in prayer on a street corner of a large city asking God to send him immediately just twenty-five cents” *Ibid.*

Can you get the picture? A 13-year-old boy in a reform school with all that criminal life back of him. He’s been in a Bible class. He’s learned a little about God. For the first time now, he’s asking God for something definite, twenty-five cents, because he’s lost in that city and he needs that to get a bus that will take him home.

“The answer came speedily. A car drove by and stopped. The driver started walking straight toward James, but James knew what the driver wanted and was prepared to meet him. He had already seen the book that had dropped out of the car from the hands of a child, and he had already picked it up in the flowing traffic. As James handed the book to the owner, the man thanked him cordially, and drew out from his pocket a quarter. It was all that James needed. It was just what he had asked for and with it he boarded the bus for he knew the way home from the bus. But this answer to prayer, coming so quickly after it had been offered, did something for James.

“I asked him whether he would relate the experience before all the boys at our next church service. It was not an easy thing for a boy like James to confess his faith in Christ before more than one hundred of his fellows” *Ibid.*

There in the reform school.

“But James did just that. Needless to say his simple account of what had happened made a tremendous impression upon all of these boys, all of them delinquents before the Lord” *Ibid.*

What do you say, friends? Yes, let all the congregation say, “amen.”

Ah, my friends, I wonder, is there some weary heart, some doubting heart, tonight, that says, “But God wouldn’t do anything like that for me.” No. He wouldn’t, my friends. And I’ll give you the proof of it. You wonder whether He would or not. I don’t wonder. I know He won’t. It’s in James the first chapter:

“For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord” James 1:7.

And if that’s your photograph, then that’s the answer.

“For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord” James 1:7.

What kind of person is that, anyway? Why, it’s the one who doesn’t do what we’re studying now, on point 6. He doesn’t put faith with his prayer. He doesn’t believe God. He doesn’t express that belief. He expresses doubt. James 1:5 and onward:

“If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that gives to all men liberally, and upbraids not; and it shall be given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavers is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord” James 1:5–7.

Oh friends, this is a life and death matter. You may read the Bible all the time. You may pray night and day. But until you come to the point of giving up that doubt, and saying, “Lord, I believe. I believe. I believe what You have said. I believe it’s for me, and I’m signing my name on the back of this check. I believe this promise is made out to me, John Jones. It’s for me. Here is my name that proves it, Lord. I know it’s for me. Just like I was the only one in all the world. This promise is mine. I believe it, and I believe You’re answering my prayer right now.”

And my dear friend, if you are going to allow your feelings to keep you from having that experience, then:

“...let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord” James 1:7.

And don’t think that if you cry long enough, that God is going to turn about His way of working and give in to your crying. Oh, God wants you to have a heart of faith, my friends.

Ah, but somebody says, “I wish I had faith.” Bless your heart, you do have faith. But the trouble is, friends, are you willing to use it? “Oh,” you say, “If I only felt better, I could have faith.” Oh, no. If you felt better, you wouldn’t need any faith. Faith is like radar. It’s used in the dark, in the fog. Why, when the sun is shining bright, does the man there on the watch in the vessel, on the ship, does he look ahead a mile or two or three to look out there with radar? Why would he, he can see

it with his natural eyes? But oh, when the night descends, or when the fog comes over like an enveloping curtain, then he looks at the radar, and he sees right through the fog, doesn't he?

So, my dear friends, the very time to exercise faith is when we feel discouraged, when we feel weak, when we feel full of doubts, then is the time to say, "Lord, I believe. I believe. I believe." This is what wrestling with God in prayer means, my friends. This is the thing we must learn between now and the time of trouble. And God can never teach it to us in the light. It must come in the darkness.

Oh, I thank God that we can, by faith, rise above every doubt, every uncertainty, every discouragement. We can say, "Dear Lord, I believe. I believe. I believe. And I thank Thee for the answer." Shall we do it, friends? How many, right now, will say, "Yes, Lord, I'll do that?" May I see your hands? Will you do it? Praise God.

I can, I will, I do believe  
I can, I will, I do believe  
I can, I will, I do believe  
That Jesus hears me now

I can, I will, I do believe,  
I can, I will, I do believe,  
I can, I will, I do believe,  
That Jesus hears my prayer.

I have some more to this lesson. But I'm going to put that off to another time. This is enough for now. I want to hear from you. I gave the opportunity a while ago to tell of your experiences in the lab this last week. Now, I want to hear specifically from those that have gotten something in this meeting tonight, who are going to do something about it. Expression deepens the impression. And right now, while the lesson is before you, if your heart responds and you say in your soul, "Oh, there's something I have heard tonight I'm going to do something about," get up and say it before men and angels, friends. Praise your heavenly Father for bringing conviction to your soul, and put your feet in the path of obedience, and let God's Spirit fill your heart.

[Testimony service follows]

Will you kneel with me?

Heavenly Father, we are kneeling here with these who have come to Thine altar, and with this congregation. And we thank Thee that in Heaven there is one like the Son of Man that spreads His hands and lifts His heart in our behalf. Oh, we thank Thee that our names are written on His hands, written in the scars of Calvary. And we're so glad that He said, "Come and I will give you rest. Him that cometh to me I will in now wise cast out." We come, Lord. Therefore we claim this promise. We have brought this check which says it's impossible for you to cast us out. So we know Thou art hearing us. We know Thou art accepting us. Just now, oh, teach us to reach up the hand of faith and lay hold of Thy extended hand of help.

Oh, by faith, Lord, we say, Thou art our Savior. Thou art our Redeemer.

Thou didst die for us. Thou doest live for us. Thy name is wonderful. Pardon all our sins. Forgive every doubt and take us this evening all new and fresh, as Thy blood-bought children. We have nothing of our own to present. We bring this great name of Jesus, that wonderful name, and we ask for all the blessings that belong to Him. We believe they are for us. And we thank Thee for it. Now, teach us to go and spread them to others and share them with others, for Jesus' sake, amen.

I hear the Savior say, "Thy  
strength indeed is small;  
Child of weakness, watch and pray,  
Find in Me thine all in all."

Jesus paid it all,  
All to Him I owe;  
Sin has left a crimson stain;  
He washed it white as snow.

When I dismissed you last Friday night, I said we were going where? In the laboratory. I hope we'll go to the laboratory, friends. It's early. We have time this evening and tomorrow morning. Go alone or go with one or two others, and let us lay hold of the arm of God. The time to get money is when the bank is open. What do you say, friends?

You're dismissed.

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