

*We know that God does not listen to sinners. He listens to the godly man who does his will. John 9:31 (NIV)*

## **Heard And Answered**

**Do you want to pray prayers that I will hear and answer? I see some hesitation on your part. This is not a hard or trick question. It is a simple question.** I noticed that you did not say it has a simple answer. **No, I did not.** Of course, I want to pray prayers that you will hear and answer. What kind of prayers will you not hear and answer? **That is a very good question that I will let you answer.** I thought you might say that. You will not hear and answer prayers that are outside of your will. I may ask you for something that might not be good for me. I may ask for something that might take my life in the wrong direction. I might ask for something well before I am ready to receive it. I may even ask for something that will never be inside of your will for you to hear and answer. **That's true.**

**How will you begin to know what prayers are inside and outside of my will? How will you know when to ask for what you need from me?** I will only know how and when to pray by living in an intimate relationship with you. You will speak to me as I listen attentively to you. You will give me prayers to pray. You will place good and right and pure prayers on my heart. You will bring prayers to pray to my mind as I love, follow and obey you. **That's right. What has the potential to hinder your ability to hear from me? What might even hinder your desire to come to meet with me in prayer? What might lead you to pray for what is completely outside of my will.** If my heart and mind and life are wrapped up in the things of this world I might not even think to pray. If I am filled with pride and self-sufficiency I might feel no need to pray. If my life is entangled in sin my prayers will no doubt miss the mark. I will almost certainly pray for what is outside your will. **That's true.**

**What is a good way to start your prayers? What will you do as you begin to pray to me?** I will humble myself before you. I will come to rely on you. I will confess my sins to you. I will ask you to forgive and cleanse me of all my sin. **Will I hear this prayer?** You will always forgive and cleanse me of my sin as I confess it to you. **Yes, I will. As you humbly confess your sins and come to rely on me, what will you be ready to do?** I will be ready to listen to you. You will be ready to listen to me. You will give me prayers to pray that you will hear and answer. **Yes, I will.**

*Lord, I don't want anything to hinder my prayers. I don't want sinful thoughts, words, or deeds to make it so you cannot hear and answer my prayers. Forgive and cleanse me of all my sin. Give me prayers to continue to pray as I love, follow and obey you. Amen*

**God's Will***He Listens*

We know that God does not listen to sinners. He listens to the godly man who does his will.

NIV

John 9:31

**God's Will***Listens*

We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does his will, God listens to him.

ESV

John 9:31

**God's Will***Ready To Hear*

We know that God doesn't listen to sinners, but he is ready to hear those who worship him and do his will.

NLT

John 9:31

**God's Will***Hears*

Now we know that God does not hear sinners; but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does His will, He hears him.

NKJV

John 9:31

**God's Will***Does Listen*

We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will.

NRSV

John 9:31

**God's Will***Listens Carefully*

It's well known that God isn't at the beck and call of sinners, but listens carefully to anyone who lives in reverence and does his will.

MSG

John 9:31

**God's Will***He Listens*

We know that God does not listen to sinners; but if anyone is God-fearing *and* a worshiper of Him and does His will, He listens to him.

AMP

John 9:31

**God's Will***Open Ears*

Well, God doesn't listen to evil men, but he has open ears to those who worship him and do his will.

TLB

John 9:31

**God's Will***Hears*

"We know that God does not hear sinners; but if anyone is God-fearing and does His will, He hears him.

NASB

John 9:31

**God's Will***He Listens*

We all know that God does not listen to sinners, but he listens to anyone who worships and obeys him.

NCV

John 9:31



**Journal**

*As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord*

**What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?**

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**What Prayers Are You Praying Today?**

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**Prayer Of Blessing**

*(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)*

*May nothing hinder your prayers as you love, follow and obey the Lord.*

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**Prayer To Carry**

*(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)*

*Lord, forgive and cleanse me of my sin so that my prayers can be heard and answered.*

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**What Do You Want To Remember About Today?**

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**A Question To Ask God**

*(What Would You Like To Ask God?)*

*Lord, what prayers do you want me to pray as I love, follow and obey you?*

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