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## **Praying for results? Don't forget this tip**

Here's a “prayer tip” that goes a long way in pleasing God with the intent of your prayers. We are all sinners who need help from God. It is true that Jesus Christ died for our sins and conquered sin on the cross. But we are taught that we need to confess our sins daily to God in order that these sins do not hinder our relationship with God in “the here and now”.

*“But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His son cleanseth us from all sin”*

*“If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us”*

*“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us of our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” (I John 1:7-9)*

It is in this state of being cleansed from sin that the believer may then approach God with prayer. (Psalm 66:18,19; John 9:31; James 4:8)

There are many aspects to prayer and we need to constantly grow in the faith to learn more about prayer each day. But here is one important suggestion for all who are seeking God's help by prayer in time of dire need – don't forget to remember to pray for your friends.

Most Christians are well aware of the story of Job, of how he was tested by God, how he suffered great loss, and then how God finally rescued Job from his misery. But in all of the 42 chapters of the story about Job, it isn't until the last chapter that we learn of the specific condition by which God saved Job from his ordeal. It wasn't until Job prayed for his friends that God released Job from misery and turned Job's captivity out from under evil conditions.

*“And Yahweh turned the captivity of Job **when he prayed for his friends**: also Yahweh gave Job twice as much as he had before.” (Job 42:10)*

Remember – your friends need help by prayers too! Be a prayer champion like Job and remember to pray for your friends in all their needs (spiritual and physical). It is a step forward in finding our own prayers' answers. Thus says the Word of God to our searching hearts.