

**“Your Prayers Have Been Answered”** Romans 8:26-28

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Introduction:

The *key to praying well and seeing prayer answered is to understand what \_\_\_\_\_ in Romans 8:28.*

**1) Our prayers are \_\_\_\_\_ by our humanity**

a) *Our humanity causes us to assume that “good” is:*

b) *Our humanity has limited knowledge*

Our natural inclination toward a **pleasant life**, and our **limited knowledge** of life causes us to pray in a way, \_\_\_\_\_, is ineffective.

**2) Our prayers are \_\_\_\_\_ by the Holy Spirit**

IN our humanity we ask for things God the Father would reject, BUT the Holy Spirit takes our **sincere but** \_\_\_\_\_ and translates them to God.

I can offer my best Christ-like prayer and rest in the Spirit’s assistance and wait for God’s answer, not worrying that I \_\_\_\_\_.



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**3) Our prayers accomplish God’s good**

God’s definition of “good” is for us \_\_\_\_\_

a) \_\_\_\_\_ of our walk with the Lord

b) Opportunity to \_\_\_\_\_ for the Lord

c) Growth in our \_\_\_\_\_

d) God’s provision of our \_\_\_\_\_

e) God’s witness to \_\_\_\_\_

**4) Our prayers are only effective if we love God**

**Conclusion:**

*If you want to avoid frustration in the Christian life, pray more effectively and see answers to your prayers, you must view life through \_\_\_\_\_.*

**For application:**

**READ** and meditate on Romans 8:17-29, especially vs. 26-29

**Evaluate:** how is God’s definition of good different from yours? Have you embraced God’s plan for “good” in your life? Are you angry with God for not creating your version of “good”? Do you need to confess your self-direction and embrace God’s plan for your life?

**Action:** How does your thought and prayer life need to change to fully embrace God’s perspective on “good” for yourself and others for whom you pray?