

Household of Faith fidelity



"As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith." - Galatians 6:10

Week of Sunday, 23rd August 2026

Q&A 1/5 What Happens When We Pray?

Whenever one of God's children prays, even the gates of hell tremble! It may be a child in prayer, or an old woman. Every prayer carries with it the full power of the God who created the heavens and earth. Consider what happens when you pray:

1. You recognise the sovereignty of God over everything: You are calling on the greatest power available to come to your assistance in this time of prayer. Matthew 17:20 *"And Jesus said unto them... for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you."*

2. You are willing to let God take charge of your situation: You are ready to submit to His goodwill whatever the decision God may make in response to your request. Not our will, but His will be done. Luke 11:2 *"And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth."*

3. You are assured that God hears your prayer and He is willing to come to your assistance: Matthew 7:11 *If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?*

4. God is able to help you: In fact, He is able to do more than you ask of Him. Ephesians 3:20 *Now to him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us.*

5. When you rise from your prayer, you will be blessed: Luke 18:14 *I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted.*

6. Good things happens when you pray: Make this year all it could be. Whatever the situation, whatever the problem, God is only as far away as a prayer. Keep the lyrics of the beloved hymn, "Sweet Hour of Prayer" close to your heart:

"Oh what griefs we often forfeit,
Oh what needless pain we bear.
All because we do not carry,
Everything to God in prayer!"

Pray without ceasing!

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Clockwise: Care teams; Men-to-serve; David and Jonathan serving; Henry exhorting the congregation; Aun Nam and Swee Hong enjoying the lunch fellowship. Thanks to Phai for tou-fu soup & rice, Elaine for chicken & vegetable dishes and June for Hong Kong snacks.

