

DON'T GIVE UP -- LOOK UP!
Encouraging Words From God's Word - Part 1 of 5
Luke 18:1-8, Sharon Meade

I. THE STORY OF THE PERSISTENT WIDOW (Luke 18:1-8)

* A _____ between God and the unsympathetic judge.

"Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up."
Luke 18:1

The point: God is _____ to answer my prayers.

II. WHY KEEP ON PRAYING WHEN THERE'S NO ANSWER?

1. PERSISTENT PRAYING _____ ON GOD.

"And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus."
Phil. 4:19

"Depend on the Lord and his strength; always go to him for help."
Psalm 105:4 NCV

2. PERSISTENT PRAYING _____ MY _____.

"I will test them as gold is tested. Then they will pray and I will answer them."
Zechariah 13:9 (GN)

"You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart."
Jeremiah 29:13

3. PERSISTENT PRAYING _____ ME FOR THE _____.

"Now glory be to God, who by his mighty power at work within us, is able to do far more than we would ever dare to ask or even dream of -- infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, or hopes."
Eph. 3:20 (LB)

4. PERSISTENT PRAYING _____ MY _____.

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up!"
Galatians 6:9

"... when the Son of Man comes, will He find faith on earth?" Luke 18:8

Anytime there is a delay you can know that two things are going on:
God is _____ Your faith and Satan is _____ your faith.

III. HOW TO PRAY PERSISTENTLY (Luke 11:9-13)

Keep on: Asking!
Seeking!
Knocking!