

AM OUTLINE
MAY 17, 2015

"THAT YOUR PRAYERS BE NOT HINDERED" (Luke 18:9-14)

1. **PRIDE / SELF-RIGHTEOUS** - (Luke 18:9-14) "Two men went up to the temple to pray ... This man went down to his house justified rather than the other"

2. (Prov. 21:13) "Whoso stops his ears at the cry of the poor, he also shall cry himself, but shall not be heard."

3. **WILLFUL SIN / DISOBEDIENCE**

(Isaiah 59:1-2) "... your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear."
(Prov. 28:9) "He that turns away his ear from hearing the law, his prayer shall be abomination"
(Prov. 15:29) "The Lord is far from the wicked: but he hears the prayer of the righteous"
(1 Peter 3:12) "For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil"
(Psalm 66:18) "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me"

4. **DOUBT** - (James 1:5-8) "let him ask of God ... nothing doubting"

5. **FAILURE TO ASK** - (James 4:2) "Ye have not, because ye ask not"

6. **SELFISHNESS** - (James 4:3) "Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts"

7. **UNFORGIVING ATTITUDE** - (Matt. 6:12) "Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors" (v14-15) "if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses"

8. **NEGLECT / DO NOTHING** - (Col. 4:2) "Continue in prayer, and watch ... "
(Matt. 26:41) "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation ... "

9. **FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS** - (1 Peter 3:7) "... that your prayers be not hindered"

10. **LACK OF PERSISTENCE** - (Luke 11:5-8) (Luke 18:1; Rms. 12:12; 1 Thess. 5:17)

11. **TO BE SEEN BY OTHERS / VAIN REPETITIONS** - (Matt. 6:5-7)

CLOSE - God answers prayers! The answer may be: "Yes" "No" "Wait"
"Here's something better than what you requested" "My grace is sufficient" or
"I'll send an angel to strengthen you"