

I HAVE HEARD THE CRY OF MY PEOPLE - II

(2 Chr 7:14 KJV) If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

1. HOW TO GET A RESPONSE FROM GOD.

1. *Seeking the Lord.*

1. Seek and ye shall find. (Mat 7:7 KJV) Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: (Mat 7:8 KJV) For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.
2. Seek with all our heart. (Jer 29:13 KJV) And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.

2. *Crying to the Lord.*

1. (Psa 3:4 KJV) I cried unto the LORD with my voice, and he heard me out of his holy hill. Selah.
 2. (Psa 34:4 KJV) I sought the LORD, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears.
 3. (Psa 107:6 KJV) Then they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them out of their distresses.
3. *I will call upon the Lord.* (Psa 18:3 KJV) I will call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies.

2. WHEN GOD RESPONDED TO THE CRIES OF HIS PEOPLE.

1. *Moses.*

1. Deliverer in response to cry of people. (Exo 3:9 KJV) Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel is come unto me: and I have also seen the oppression wherewith the Egyptians oppress them.
2. Moses cried unto the Lord.
 1. For the frogs to leave the land. The Lord responded.
 2. When the waters were bitter. The Lord responded.

2. *God raised up other deliverers when the people cried unto Him.*

1. (Judg 3:9 KJV) And when the children of Israel cried unto the LORD, the LORD raised up a deliverer to the children of Israel, who delivered them, even Othniel the son of Kenaz, Caleb's younger brother.
 2. (Judg 3:15 KJV) But when the children of Israel cried unto the LORD, the LORD raised them up a deliverer, Ehud the son of Gera, a Benjamite, a man lefthanded: and by him the children of Israel sent a present unto Eglon the king of Moab.
3. *God sent a prophet.* (Judg 6:6 KJV) And Israel was greatly impoverished because of the Midianites; and the children of Israel cried unto the LORD. (Judg 6:7 KJV) And it came to pass, when the children of Israel cried unto the LORD because of the Midianites, (Judg 6:8 KJV) That the LORD sent a prophet unto the children of Israel, which said unto them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, I

brought you up from Egypt, and brought you forth out of the house of bondage; (Judg 6:9 KJV) And I delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of all that oppressed you, and drave them out from before you, and gave you their land; (Judg 6:10 KJV) And I said unto you, I am the LORD your God; fear not the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but ye have not obeyed my voice.

4. ***The Lord sent an angel.*** (Judg 6:11 KJV) And there came an angel of the LORD, and sat under an oak which was in Ophrah, that pertained unto Joash the Abiezrite: and his son Gideon threshed wheat by the winepress, to hide it from the Midianites.

3. I HAVE HEARD.

1. ***Solomon.***

1. (1 Ki 9:3 KJV) And the LORD said unto him, I have heard thy prayer and thy supplication, that thou hast made before me: I have hallowed this house, which thou hast built, to put my name there for ever; and mine eyes and mine heart shall be there perpetually.
2. (1 Ki 9:4 KJV) And if thou wilt walk before me, as David thy father walked, in integrity of heart, and in uprightness, to do according to all that I have commanded thee, and wilt keep my statutes and my judgments:
3. (1 Ki 9:5 KJV) Then I will establish the throne of thy kingdom upon Israel for ever, as I promised to David thy father, saying, There shall not fail thee a man upon the throne of Israel.

2. ***Hezekiah.***

1. (Isa 38:5 KJV) Go, and say to Hezekiah, Thus saith the LORD, the God of David thy father, I have heard thy prayer, I have seen thy tears: behold, I will add unto thy days fifteen years.
2. (Isa 38:6 KJV) And I will deliver thee and this city out of the hand of the king of Assyria: and I will defend this city.
3. (Isa 38:7 KJV) And this shall be a sign unto thee from the LORD, that the LORD will do this thing that he hath spoken; (Isa 38:8 KJV) Behold, I will bring again the shadow of the degrees, which is gone down in the sun dial of Ahaz, ten degrees backward. So the sun returned ten degrees, by which degrees it was gone down.

4. HOW TO GET GOD TO RESPOND.

1. ***When we humble ourselves.***
2. ***When we seek His face.***
3. ***When we cry unto the Lord.***
4. ***When we obey His Words.***
5. ***When we bring our firstfruit.***

1. (Deu 26:1 KJV) And it shall be, when thou art come in unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance, and possessest it,

- and dwellest therein; (Deu 26:2 KJV) That thou shalt take of the first of all the fruit of the earth, which thou shalt bring of thy land that the LORD thy God giveth thee, and shalt put it in a basket, and shalt go unto the place which the LORD thy God shall choose to place his name there.
2. (Deu 26:3 KJV) And thou shalt go unto the priest that shall be in those days, and say unto him, I profess this day unto the LORD thy God, that I am come unto the country which the LORD sware unto our fathers for to give us. (Deu 26:4 KJV) And the priest shall take the basket out of thine hand, and set it down before the altar of the LORD thy God.
 3. (Deu 26:7 KJV) And when we cried unto the LORD God of our fathers, the LORD heard our voice, and looked on our affliction, and our labour, and our oppression:
 4. (Deu 26:8 KJV) And the LORD brought us forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand, and with an outstretched arm, and with great terribleness, and with signs, and with wonders: (Deu 26:9 KJV) And he hath brought us into this place, and hath given us this land, even a land that floweth with milk and honey.
 5. (Deu 26:10 KJV) And now, behold, I have brought the firstfruits of the land, which thou, O LORD, hast given me. And thou shalt set it before the LORD thy God, and worship before the LORD thy God:
 6. (Deu 26:11 KJV) And thou shalt rejoice in every good thing which the LORD thy God hath given unto thee, and unto thine house, thou, and the Levite, and the stranger that is among you.
6. Getting iniquity out of our hearts.
1. (Psa 66:18 KJV) If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me:
 2. Not holding any bitterness or grudges in our hearts.
 3. Making things right with our brother.
 1. (Mat 5:23 KJV) Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee;
 2. (Mat 5:24 KJV) Leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift.