

## HOW TO RECEIVE AN ANSWER FROM GOD

### Talking to God, Pt.4

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#### Luke 1:5-25

The key to receiving an answer from God is in our \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Three Receptive Attitudes for God's Answers:

##### 1. We must be willing to let God answer in His own \_\_\_\_\_.

Zechariah: v.18

One of the signs of real maturity in the Lord is to respond, "Lord, do it in Your time."

Common reason God delays answers: We are not ready for the answer. It takes time to change us.

##### 2. We must be willing to let God answer in His own \_\_\_\_\_.

*Ephesians 3:20-21 (NIV)*

*Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, [21] to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever! Amen.*

What is big and great in God's eyes?

*Isaiah 55:8-9 (NIV)*

*"For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
neither are your ways my ways,"  
declares the Lord.*

*[9] "As the heavens are higher than the earth,  
so are my ways higher than your ways  
and my thoughts than your thoughts.*

Where can we find God's perspective? \_\_\_\_\_.

##### 3. We must be willing to let God answer in His own \_\_\_\_\_.

Zechariah: v.18

Abraham and Sarah:

*Genesis 18:9-15 (NIV)*

*"Where is your wife Sarah?" they asked him.*

*"There, in the tent," he said.*

*[10] Then the Lord said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife will have a son."*

*Now Sarah was listening at the entrance to the tent, which was behind him. [11] Abraham and Sarah were already old and well advanced in years, and Sarah was past the age of childbearing. [12] So Sarah laughed to herself as she thought, "After I am worn out and my master is old, will I now have this pleasure?"*

*[13] Then the Lord said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh and say, 'Will I really have a child, now that I am old?' [14] **Is anything too hard for the Lord?** I will return to you at the appointed time next year and Sarah will have a son."*

*[15] Sarah was afraid, so she lied and said, "I did not laugh."*

*But he said, "Yes, you did laugh."*

Is anything too hard for the Lord? \_\_\_\_\_