

Review: *God allows hindered prayer...*

1. To protect our relationships.

FIRST: with Him.

Proverbs 15:8-9 The sacrifice of the wicked *is* an abomination to the LORD: but the prayer of the upright *is* his delight. ⁹ The way of the wicked *is* an abomination unto the LORD: but he loveth him that followeth after righteousness.

SECOND: with His people.

Matthew 5:23-24 Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee; ²⁴ Leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift.

Proverbs 18:19 A brother offended *is harder to be won* than a strong city: and *their contentions are* like the bars of a castle.

UNDERSTAND HOW BROKEN RELATIONSHIPS _____ US
IN THE WORK OF GOD AND OUR PRAYERS.

- **We have a family to _____.**

Malachi 4:5-6 Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD: ⁶ And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.

KEY:

1 Thessalonians 2:7-8 But we were gentle among you, even as a nurse cherisheth her children: ⁸ So being affectionately desirous of you, we were willing to have imparted unto you, not the gospel of God only, but also our own souls, because ye were dear unto us.

- **In the world you have _____ to keep.**

- **In the church, we must _____.**

Today, Satan's best tools are [1] _____

2 Corinthians 11:1-4 Would to God ye could bear with me a little in *my* folly: and indeed bear with me.

² For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present *you as* a chaste virgin to Christ. ³ But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ. ⁴ For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or *if* ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with *him*.



[2] _____.

1 Corinthians 1:10-11 Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and *that* there be no divisions among you; but *that* ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. ¹¹ For it hath been declared unto me of you, my brethren, by them *which are of the house* of Chloe, that there are contentions among you. (Eph 4:1-6)

Let's not waste our time together and our relationships together.

Titus 3:9-11 But avoid foolish questions, and genealogies, and contentions, and strivings about the law; for they are unprofitable and vain. ¹⁰ A man that is an heretick after the first and second admonition reject; ¹¹ Knowing that he that is such is subverted, and sinneth, being condemned of himself.

KEY: Let's keep hearts!

When others hurt you, **forgiveness is sure**. You can do it.

2 Corinthians 2:10-11 To whom ye forgive any thing, I *forgive* also: for if I forgave any thing, to whom I forgave *it*, for your sakes *forgave I it* in the person of Christ; ¹¹ Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices.

To refuse forgiveness is _____.

Luke 11:1-4 And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples. 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 Give us day by day our daily bread. ⁴ And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

You CAN forgive in the person of Christ. But, trust is _____. Trust is _____ over _____.

1 Thessalonians 5:21 Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.

- **Right family relationships are critical to the _____ of our _____ life.**

1 Peter 3:1-7 Likewise, ye wives, *be* in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives; ² While they behold your chaste conversation *coupled* with fear. ³ Whose adorning let it not be that outward *adorning* of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel; ⁴ But *let it be* the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, *even the ornament* of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price. ⁵ For after this manner in the old time the holy women also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves, being in subjection unto their own husbands: ⁶ Even as Sara obeyed Abraham, calling him lord: whose daughters ye are, as long as ye do well, and are not afraid with any amazement.

Wives: Not fighting, but _____ is the key to winning your mate.

Husband: Not fighting but _____ is the key to winning at prayer. To know is to _____
(Eph 5:28)

⁷ Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with *them* according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered.

You are not right with God if you aren't right with God's people!
If you aren't right with your spouse, you disqualify yourself.

Issue: tremble to disdain or mistreat what belongs to God.

