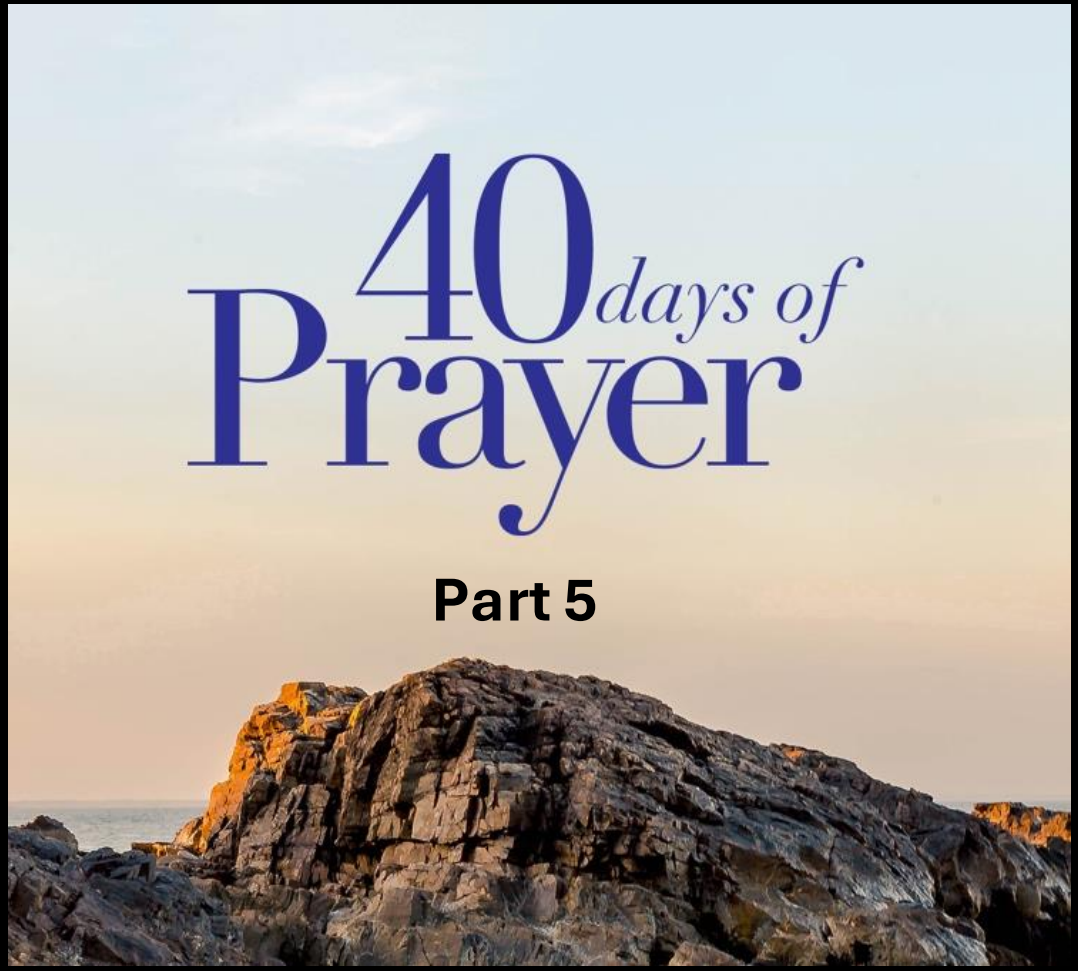

WHEN GOD SAYS NO

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“Call to me and I will answer you…”

Jeremiah 33:3 (NIV)

Anchor Scripture

3 TRUTHS WE OFTEN MISS WHEN GOD SAY NO

God may say No
because He has…

1. A Bigger ***Perspective***.

"He knows about everyone everywhere. Everything about us is bare and wide open to the all-seeing eyes of our living God; nothing can be hidden from Him..." ***Hebrews 4:13 (LB)***

"(God) guards the course of the just and protects the way of His faithful ones." ***Proverbs 2:8 (NIV)***

God may say No
because He has…

2. A Better ***Plan***.

God: “This plan of mine is not what you would work out, neither are my thoughts the same as yours! For My ways are higher than yours.” ***Isaiah 55:8-9 (LB)***

“These were commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised. God had planned Something Better...” ***Hebrews 11:39-40 (NIV)***

God has all of eternity to fulfill his promises.

God may say No
because He has…

3. A greater ***Purpose***.

"I cry out to God Most High, who fulfills his purpose for me."

Psalm 57:2 (NIV)

"The purpose of these troubles is to test your faith as fire tests how genuine gold is. Your faith is more precious than gold."

1 Peter 1:7 (GW)

“There are some things the Lord our God has kept secret, but there are some things he has let us know.” *Deut 29:29 (NCV)*

“Just as you’ll never understand how the mystery of life forms in a pregnant woman, so you’ll never understand the mystery at work in all that God does.” *Ecclesiastes 11:5 (MSG)*

3 THINGS *YOU DO* WHEN GOD SAYS NO

DO...

1. Trust that God does everything in ***Goodness*** & ***Love***.

"All the ways of the Lord are loving..." *Psalm 25:10 (NIV)*

"In everything God works for the good of those who love Him."
Romans 8:28 (ICB)

I don’t have to Understand God’s answer to know that it is motivated by love.

DO...

2. When in pain, pray what Jesus prayed facing the ***Cross***.

"Going a little farther, Jesus fell to the ground praying that, if possible, he might not have to suffer what was ahead of him. Jesus prayed 'Abba! My Father! All things are possible for you! Please take this cup of suffering away from me! Yet I want your will, not mine, to be done!'"

Mark 14:35-36

DO...

Pray The Right Way

Affirm God's ***Power***!

- *"Father, I know you can do anything!"*

Ask With ***Passion***!

- *"Father, please give me what I ask!"*

Accept God's ***Plan***!

- *"However, what I want most is your will!"*

DO...

3. Expect God to give His ***GRACE*** to handle his answer.

(Paul) “Three times I prayed to the Lord about this and asked him to take it away. But his answer was: ‘My grace is all you need, for my power is greatest when you are weak.’ So, I gladly boast about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power can flow through me! ...For when I am weak, then I am strong!” *2 Cor 12:8-10*

“Those who know you, Lord, will trust you! You do not abandon anyone who comes to you!” Psalm 9:10 (TEV)

Prayer is God’s conditioning to Accept His Plan

I pray God’s continued blessings in your prayer-life with God, our Lord and Savior!

