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1950's - Most Requested Christmas Gifts

- Mr. Potato Head
- The Original Barbie Doll
- Play-Doh
- Hula Hoops
- Matchbox Cars
- Pez Dispensers
- Frisbees



1970's - Most Requested Christmas Gifts

- NERF Balls
- Rubik's Cube
- Star Wars Figures
- Simon Memory Game
- Barbie Dream House



1990's - Most Requested Christmas Gifts

- Super Soakers
- Ninja Turtle Toys
- Pokemon Video Games
- Beanie Babies
- Barbie Dream House
- Buzz Lightyear Figures
- Tickle Me Elmo
- Game Boy



2010's - Most Requested Christmas Gifts

- iPad
- Nintendo 3DS
- WiiU
- PlayStation 4
- Elsa Dolls
- Star Wars BB-8 Toys
- NES Classic Edition
- Nintendo Switch
- AirPods
- Slime Toys



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Year after year it was the same - Peninnah would taunt Hannah as they went to the Tabernacle. Each time, Hannah would be reduced to tears and would not even eat.



I Samuel 1:7 (NLT)

Once after a sacrificial meal at Shiloh, Hannah got up and went to pray. Eli the priest was sitting at his customary place beside the entrance of the Tabernacle.



I Samuel 1:9 (NLT)

Hannah was in deep anguish, crying
bitterly as she prayed to the LORD.



I Samuel 1:10 (NLT)

And she made this vow: “O LORD of Heaven’s Armies, if you will look upon my sorrow and answer my prayer and give me a son, then I will give him back to you. He will be yours for his entire lifetime, and as a sign that he has been dedicated to the LORD, his hair will never be cut.”



I Samuel 1:11 (NLT)

As she was praying to the LORD, Eli watched her. Seeing her lips moving but hearing no sound, he thought she had been drinking.



I Samuel 1:12-13 (NLT)

“Must you come here drunk?” he demanded. “Throw away your wine!”



I Samuel 1:14 (NLT)

“Oh no, sir!” she replied. “I haven’t been drinking wine or anything stronger. But I am very discouraged, and I was pouring out my heart to the LORD. Don’t think I am a wicked woman! For I have been praying out of great anguish and sorrow.”



I Samuel 1:15-16 (NLT)

“In that case,” Eli said, “go in peace! May the God of Israel grant the request you have asked of him.”



I Samuel 1:17 (NLT)

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Keep on asking, and you will receive what
you ask for.

Keep on seeking, and you will find.

Keep on knocking, and the door will be
opened to you.



Matthew 7:7 (NLT)

For everyone who asks, receives.
Everyone who seeks, finds.
And to everyone who knocks, the door will
be opened.



Matthew 7:8 (NLT)

You parents - if your children ask for a loaf of bread, do you give them a stone instead?



Matthew 7:9 (NLT)

Or if they ask for a fish, do you give them a
snake? Of course not!



Matthew 7:10 (NLT)

So if you sinful people know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give good gifts to those who ask him.



Matthew 7:11 (NLT)

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Once Jesus was in a certain place praying.
As he finished, one of his disciples came to
him and said, “Lord, teach us to pray, just
as John taught his disciples.”



Luke 11:1 (NLT)

At that time you won't need to ask me for anything. I tell you the truth, you will ask the Father directly, and he will grant your request because you use my name.



John 16:23-34 (NLT)

You haven't done this before. Ask, using my name, and you will receive, and you will have abundant joy.



John 16:23-34 (NLT)

I have written this to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know you have eternal life.



1 John 5:13-15 (NLT)

And we are confident that he hears us
whenever we ask for anything that pleases
him.



1 John 5:13-15 (NLT)

And since we know he hears us when we make our requests, we also know that he will give us what we ask for.



1 John 5:13-15 (NLT)

You want what you don't have, so you scheme and kill to get it. You are jealous of what others have, but you can't get it, so you fight and wage war to take it away from them.



James 4:2-3 (NLT)

Yet you don't have what you want because you don't ask God for it. And even when you ask, you don't get it because your motives are all wrong - you want only what will give you pleasure.



James 4:2-3 (NLT)

Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done.



Philippians 4:6 (NLT)

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Prayer is direct address to God; it is the communication of the human soul with the Lord who created the soul.



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**Prayer is the primary way for the believer
in Jesus Christ to communicate his
emotions and desires with God and to
fellowship with God.**



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Prayer Goals

- Set a time
- Set a place
- Incorporate scripture
- Consider journaling



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