





Psalm 143 "Prayer for help"

Is anyone up there?

PSALM 143: ENEMIES & THE ENEMY

 ³ The enemy pursues me, he crushes me to the ground; he makes me dwell in the darkness like those long dead.
 ⁴ So my spirit grows faint within me; my heart within me is dismayed.



PSALM 143: ENEMIES & THE ENEMY

 ⁹ Rescue me from my enemies, LORD, for I hide myself in you.
 ¹² In your unfailing love, silence my enemies; destroy all my foes, for I am your servant.



RESPONDING TO ENEMIES – JESUS' WAY

Matthew 5: 43-45

⁴³ "You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' ⁴⁴ But I tell you: Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, ⁴⁵ that you may be sons of your Father in heaven."



RESPONDING TO THE ENEMY

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"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; *I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.*"

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EXPECTATIONS: The Lord's Character

¹ LORD, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for mercy;
in your faithfulness and righteousness come to my relief.
⁸ Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in you.
¹¹ For your name's sake, LORD, preserve my life; in your righteousness, bring me out of trouble.
¹² In your unfailing love, silence my enemies...



AND WE KNOW THAT IN ALL Things god works for the Good of those who love him, Who have been called According to his purpose.

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ROMANS 8:28

 ² Do not bring your servant into judgment, for no one living is righteous before you.
 ¹⁰ Teach me to do your will, for you are my God;
 ¹² In your unfailing love, silence my enemies; destroy all my foes, for I am your servant.



EXPECTATIONS: Our relationship with the Lord

Friendship with Jesus

14 You are my friends if you do what I command. 15 I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. ohn 15:14-15 NIV

EXPECTATIONS: Our relationship with the Lord

The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, "ABBA, FATHER." Romans 8:15 NIV pez11

See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. **1 John 3:1**

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EXPECTATIONS: Our experience of the Lord

⁵ I remember the days of long ago;
 I meditate on all your works
 and consider what your hands have done.
 ⁶ I spread out my hands to you;
 I thirst for you like a parched land.



EXPECTATIONS: Our experience of the Lord

What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all-how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? Romans 8:31-32

EXAMPLE: Responding to the Lord Pray to the Lord

LORD, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for mercy Remember the Lord



I remember the days of long ago; I meditate on all your works and consider what your hands have done.



Trust the Lord

Show me the way I should go,

for to you I entrust my life.

Be open to the Lord



Teach me to do your will, for you are my God; may your good Spirit lead me on level ground.

JESUS ON YOUR SIDE

Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.

Romans 8:34



No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us.

- Romans 8:37

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