

Before the Father's Throne



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God's servants must come into his presence fully persuaded that he will answer. It is a good thing to bring the promises of God into prayer with you — to stand on as you remind him of them. Certainly, he does not have a loss of memory, but the Lord loves for us to bring his promises before him.

Peter was given a vision and he wondered what it could mean. As he pondered it, God told him, "Three men are seeking you. Arise therefore, go down and go with them, *doubting nothing*; for I have sent them" (Acts 10:19). This passage of Scripture tells us that when God declares something to be true, we are to believe and stand on it, without consulting our flesh. We simply cannot measure the reliability of God's Word by examining our situation or our own worthiness. If we do, we will end up only seeing that we are unworthy. Then we may end up talking ourselves out of claiming his Word and appropriating it.

The Bible says we are petitioners at God's throne and Christ is there as our intercessor or advocate. "For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus" (1 Timothy 2:5). "He always lives to make intercession for [us]" (Hebrews 7:25). "If anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous" (1 John 2:1).

By the shed blood of Jesus on the cross, the door to the Father's throne is open for us and we have access to personally bring our requests to God. We also have the Holy Spirit, who is our "paraclete," one who stands as our advisor, advocate, comforter, mediator and intercessor. He reminds us of the eternal decrees and divine constitution that make up God's Word — so we have these incredible promises.

It is reassuring to know that God is truly pleased when you approach his throne with boldness, binding him to his own Word. And he will make sure you know that he is pleased with you.

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