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TOPIC ; DIVINE ATTENTION.

MEMORY VERSE:

Isaiah 65:24. “And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear”.

TEXT: Matthew 6:31-33.

(A)INTRODUCTION:

God declares He will abundantly and immediately satisfy the desires of His people that are just and conformable to His will; and that He will be of such goodness even answer their prayers before they utter them. The Almighty Lord of heaven and earth represents Himself as watching with anxiety the hearts and consciences of us His creatures.

He promised to be so ready to answer the words as soon as they should be formed in our hearts, before they should get them out of our lips (**Dan.10:12**). That is, our desires shall be anticipated, God will see our needs, and He will impart to us the blessings which we need (**Matthew 6:32**) .

(B)HOW CAN WE GET DIVINE ATTENTION?

The condition of speedy blessing is that, the promise is limited to those who are conscious of need; and recognise that such need can be supplied only from a Divine source.

(1) Our state of heart is very important to God and it determines how He deals with us. The cry of the righteous (poor in the spirit i.e. a state of heart recognizing his or her spiritual poverty and desperate need of God) & obedient to God's Words & heart that produces humility always attract divine attention- **Isaiah 66:2** - “...**but to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and that trembleth at my word**”; Ps 34:15.

(2) A persistent cry attracts God's attention- Mk 10:46-52; Luke 11:1-5.

(3) The cry of the helpless and fatherless always attracts divine attention. Job 29:12; Ps. 72:12.

(4) The cry of the afflicted (not grumbling, complaining, murmuring, or blaming God) attracts divine attention- Job 34:28.

(5) Acts of giving gifts to the poor & to God's house - Acts 10:4- (be both a Prayer and Gifts warrior!)

(C) WHAT ARE THE OBSTACLES TO DIVINE ATTENTION?

(i)Indifference to the Poor: Prov. 21:13 - Not responding to the cry of the poor in our community as God has given us the ability could be an hindrance to get God's attention.

(ii)Sin: Isa. 59:1-2 : When we pray, divine attention might be elusive, because of our sins.

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(iii)Unforgiving spirit: Matt.5:23-24:This is so important that God even prefers forgiveness to sacrifice.

(D)CONCLUSION:

It is not everyone who prays that receives instant answer or divine attention. The prayer that attracts divine attention is not a prayer from the lips but a prayer from the heart. It is a prayer of faith, holy life and backed up with action.

PRAYER POINT:

I RECEIVE THE DIVINE ATTENTION FROM GOD TO WIN IN ALL BATTLES OF LIFE, IN JESUS NAME.

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