

A brother once asked me, “What benefit do you get from serving God?”

I replied, “There are many.” Then he said, “I got saved long ago. I truly decided to follow God. But my situation became so hard that even my wife left me. I fasted, prayed, attended seminars and night vigils. I constantly asked God to remember me in my financial struggles. Yet, the more I prayed, the worse things became.”

As he spoke, I could sense that he had already lost hope and given up on his salvation.

Finally, he asked me, *“Don’t you think there’s something wrong with this God we serve?”*

That statement shocked me. I calmly replied, “As for me, I’ve seen nothing wrong in serving God. But I don’t know what your relationship with Him looks like.” Then I reminded him of David’s words in the Bible:

Psalm 37:25

“I have been young, and now am old; yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his descendants begging bread.”

After I said that, he remained silent and walked away.

SOMETIMES IT SEEMS GOD IS SILENT

Dear brother or sister, there is something every true believer must understand. When David said those words, he did not mean that everything always went his way. There were many times he felt abandoned, as if God was silent or far away. Yet, in those moments, he strengthened himself in the Lord, saying:

"The Lord is my Shepherd; Your rod and Your staff comfort me."

He continued to praise and thank God, believing that even in suffering, God had not forsaken him.

Listen to David's cry in the following verses:

Psalms 13:1-6

"How long, O Lord? Will You forget me forever? How long will

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*You hide Your face from me?
How long shall I take counsel in my soul, having sorrow in my
heart daily? How long will my enemy be exalted over me?
Consider and hear me, O Lord my God; enlighten my eyes,
lest I sleep the sleep of death;
lest my enemy say, 'I have prevailed against him'; lest those
who trouble me rejoice when I am moved.
But I have trusted in Your mercy; my heart shall rejoice in
Your salvation.
I will sing to the Lord, because He has dealt bountifully with
me."*

And again:

Psalm 42:9-10

*"I will say to God my Rock, 'Why have You forgotten me? Why
do I go mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?'
As with a breaking of my bones, my enemies reproach me,
while they say to me all day long, 'Where is your God?'"*

EVEN IN TROUBLE, GOD IS STILL PRESENT

There were times when David prayed and saw no answers. He remembered how once he struck down Goliath and all the Philistines feared him — yet later he had to seek refuge among those same Philistines, his former enemies.

Imagine! The same man who once led Israel's victories was forced to hide among those who wanted him dead, just to find rest.

Some might have thought God had abandoned him completely.

But David held on to God's promises. He kept worshiping, praying, and giving thanks, until the appointed time came when God restored and exalted him — making him king over all Israel.

His journey shows that God's blessings do not always come instantly. Yet, in His time, He fulfills every promise.

That's why David later testified:

Psalm 66:19-20

"But certainly God has heard me; He has attended to the voice of my prayer."

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Blessed be God, who has not turned away my prayer, nor His mercy from me!"

KEEP PRAYING AND DO NOT LOSE HEART

Our Lord Jesus Christ also taught us to pray continually and never lose hope.

Luke 18:1-8

"Then He spoke a parable to them, that men always ought to pray and not lose heart, saying: 'There was in a certain city a judge who did not fear God nor regard man.

Now there was a widow in that city; and she came to him, saying, "Get justice for me from my adversary."

And he would not for a while; but afterward he said within himself, "Though I do not fear God nor regard man, yet because this widow troubles me I will avenge her, lest by her continual coming she weary me."'

Then the Lord said, 'Hear what the unjust judge said.

And shall God not avenge His own elect who cry out day and night to Him, though He bears long with them?

I tell you that He will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless,

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when the Son of Man comes, will He really find faith on the earth?’”

These words clearly teach us to pray without giving up, just as David and Jesus Himself did.

Even if answers delay, God will respond in His perfect time, for He is patient and merciful toward His children.

WAIT FOR YOUR SEASON

So, beloved, if you are following Christ with all your heart, do not be discouraged when you see no signs of breakthrough yet. Your season will surely come. You will one day declare like David:

“But certainly God has heard me; He has attended to the voice of my prayer.”

Keep showing zeal and persistence in seeking Him. Do not focus on your current situation — focus on your faithfulness and holiness.

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For as the prophet Hosea wrote:

Hosea 6:3

“Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the Lord: His going forth is prepared as the morning; and He shall come to us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth.”

Just as the rains come in their season, refreshing the dry land, God will come to you — to refresh, renew, and restore everything in your life.

CONCLUSION

Therefore, continue to know the Lord.
Keep walking faithfully even when things seem silent or hard.
Your time of visitation — your “rain of blessing” — will come.

“For we walk by faith, not by sight.” — 2 Corinthians 5:7

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May the Lord bless you and strengthen your heart to keep
trusting in Him until your season of refreshing arrives.

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