PRAYER THAT GETS RESULTS

Acts 10:1-4

- 1 There was a certain man in Caesarea called Cornelius, a centurion of the band called the Italian band.
- 2 A devout man, and one that feared God with all his house, which gave much alms to the people, and prayed to God alway.
- 3 He saw in a vision evidently about the ninth hour of the day an angel of God coming in to him, and saying unto him, Cornelius.
- 4 And when he looked on him, he was afraid, and said, What is it, Lord? And he said unto him, Thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before God.

Acts 10:2 A devout man, and one that feared God with all his house, which gave much alms to the people, and prayed to God alway.

DEVOUT (STRONG'S GREEK DICTIONARY) = # 2152 eusebes from 2095 and 4576; well-reverent, i.e. pious: KJV-- devout, godly.

#2152 IS DERIVED FROM #4576:

(STRONG'S GREEK DICTIONARY) = # 4576 sebomai **to revere, i.e. adore:**KJV-- devout, religious, worship.

DEVOUT (VINE'S EXPOSITORY DICTIONARY) = eusebes ^2152^, from eu, "well," sebomai, "to reverence," the root seb signifying "sacred awe," describes "reverence" exhibited especially in actions, reverence or awe well directed. In the NT it is used of a pious attitude towards God, <Acts 10:2, 7>; (in some mss. in <22:12>); "godly," in <2 Pet. 2:9>.

Notes: (1) While eulabes especially suggests the piety which characterizes the inner being, the soul, in its attitude towards God, *eusebes* directs us rather to the energy which, directed by holy awe of God, finds expression in devoted activity.

FEARED (STRONG'S GREEK DICTIONARY) = # 5399 phobeo from 5401; to frighten, i.e. (passively) to be alarmed; **by analogy, to be in awe of, i.e. revere:** KJV-- be (+sore) afraid, fear (exceedingly), reverence.

FEARED (THAYER'S GREEK LEXICON) = # 5399 phobeoto reverence, to venerate, to treat with deference or reverential obedience

ALMS (STRONG'S GREEK DICTIONARY) = #1654 eleemosune from 1656; compassionateness, i.e. (as exercised towards the poor) beneficence, or (concretely) a benefaction: KJV-- alms (-deeds).

ALMS (THAYER'S GREEK LEXICON) = # 1654 eleemosune-

- 1) mercy, pity; especially, as exhibited in giving alms, charity
- 2) the benefaction itself, a donation to the poor, alms

PEOPLE (STRONG'S GREEK DICTIONARY) = # 2992 laos (lah-os'); a primary word; a people KJV-- people.

PEOPLE (VINE'S EXPOSITORY DICTIONARY) = laos ^2992^ is used of (a) "the people at large," especially of people assembled, e. g., <Matt. 27:25; Luke 1:21; 3:15; Acts 4:27>; (b) "a people of the same race and language," e. g., <Rev. 5:9>; in the plural, e. g., <Luke 2:31; Rom. 15:11; Rev. 7:9; 11:9>; especially of Israel, e. g., <Matt. 2:6; 4:23; John 11:50; Acts 4:8; Heb. 2:17>; in distinction from their rulers and priests, e. g., <Matt. 26:5; Luke 20:19; Heb. 5:3>; in distinction from Gentiles, e. g., <Acts 26:17,23; Rom. 15:10>; (c) of Christians as the people of God, e. g., <Acts 15:14; Titus 2:14; Heb. 4:9; 1 Pet. 2:9>.

PRAYED (STRONG'S GREEK DICTIONARY) = # 1189 deomai middle voice of 1210; to beg (as binding oneself), i.e. petition:

KJV-- beseech, pray (to), make request.

PRAYED (THAYER'S GREEK LEXICON) = # 1189 deomai-

- 1) to want, to lack
- 2) to desire, to long for
- 3) to ask, to beg
 - a) the thing asked for
 - b) to pray, to make supplications

#1189 IS DERIVED FROM #1210:

(THAYER'S LEXICON) = #1210 deo-

- 1) to bind tie, to fasten
 - b) metaphorically:
 - 2) to bind, to put under obligation, used of the law, duty etc. :to be bound to one, a wife, a husband

OTHER VERSES WITH THIS TYPE OF PRAYER (#1189):

Matt 9:38 Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.

Luke 10:2 Therefore said he unto them, The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest.

Luke 22:32 But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren.

2 Cor 5:20 Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.

Acts 10:4 And when he looked on him, he was afraid, and said, What is it, Lord? And he said unto him, Thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before God.

PRAYERS (STRONG'S GREEK DICTIONARY) = # 4335 proseuche; from 4336; **prayer (worship)**; by implication, an oratory (chapel): KJV-- X pray earnestly, prayer.

PRAYERS (THAYER'S GREEK LEXICON) = # 4335 proseuche-

- 1) prayer addressed to God
- 2) a place set apart or suited for the offering of prayer
- a) a synagogue
- b) a place in the open air where the Jews were wont to pray, outside the cities, where they had no synagogue; such places were situated upon the bank of a stream or the shore of a sea, where there was a supply of water for washing the hands before prayer

#4335 IS DERIVED FROM #4336:

(STRONG'S GREEK DICTIONARY) = # 4336 proseuchomai from 4314 and 2172; to pray to God, i.e. supplicate, worship: KJV-- pray (X earnestly, for), make prayer.

#4336 IS DERIVED FROM TWO #4314 AND #2172:

1) (STRONG'S GREEK DICTIONARY) = # 4314 pros (pros); a strengthened form of 4253; a preposition of direction; forward to, i.e. toward (with the genitive case the side of, i.e. pertaining to; with the dative case by the side of, i.e. near to; usually with the accusative case the place, time, occasion, or respect, which is the destination of the relation, i.e. whither or for which it is predicated):

KJV-- In comparison it denotes essentially the same applications, namely, motion towards, accession to, or nearness at.

2) (STRONG'S GREEK DICTIONARY) = # 2172 euchomai (yoo'-khom-ahee); middle voice of a primary verb; to wish; by implication, to pray to God: KJV-- pray, will, wish.

ALMS (STRONG'S GREEK DICTIONARY) = # 1654 eleemosune from 1656; compassionateness, i.e. (as exercised towards the poor) beneficence, or (concretely) a benefaction: KJV-- alms (-deeds). COME UP (STRONG'S GREEK DICTIONARY) = # 305 anabaino from 303 and the base of 939; **to go up** (literally or figuratively):

KJV-- arise, ascend (up), climb (go, grow, rise, spring) up, come (up).

COME UP (STRONG'S GREEK DICTIONARY) = # 305 anabainoascend

- 1) to go up
- 2) to rise, to mount, to be borne up, to spring up

MEMORIAL (STRONG'S GREEK DICTIONARY) = # 3422 mnemosunon from 3421; a reminder (memorandum), i.e. record: KJV-- memorial.

MEMORIAL (THAYER'S LEXICON) = #3422 mnemosunona memorial (that by which the memory of any person or anything is preserved), a remembrance

MEMORIAL (VINE'S EXPOSITORY GREEK DICTIONARY) = mnemosunon ^3422^ denotes "a memorial," that which keeps alive the memory of someone or something (from mnemon, "mindful"), <Matt. 26:13; Mark 14:9; Acts 10:4>.

#3422 IS DERIVED FROM #3415:

(STRONG'S GREEK DICTIONARY) = # NT:3415 mnaomai (mnah'-om-ahee); middle voice of a derivative of NT:3306 or perhaps of the base of NT:3145 (through the idea of fixture in the mind or of mental grasp); to bear in mind, i.e. recollect; by implication to reward or punish:

KJV - be mindful, remember, come (have) in remembrance. Compare NT:3403.

#3415 IS ULTIMATELY DERIVED FROM TWO — #3306 AND #3145:

- 1) (STRONG'S GREEK DICTIONARY) = #NT:3306 meno (men'-o); a primary verb; to stay (in a given place, state, relation or expectancy): KJV abide, continue, dwell, endure, be present, remain, stand, tarry (for), thine own.
- 2) (STRONG'S GREEK DICTIONARY) = # NT:3145 massaomai (mas-sah'-om-ahee); from a primary masso (to handle or squeeze); to chew: KJV gnaw.

BEFORE (STRONG'S GREEK DICTIONARY) = # 1715 emprosthen from 1722 and 4314; **in front of (in place [literally or figuratively] or time):**KJV-- against, at, before, (in presence, sight) of.

BEFORE (THAYER'S LEXICON) = # 1715 emprosthenin front, before

- a) before, that is, in that local region which is in front of a person or thing
- b) before, in the presence of, that is, opposite to, over against one
- c) before, in the sight of
- d) before, denoting rank

Psalms 37:4 Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.

DESIRES (STRONG'S GREEK DICTIONARY) = # 4862 mish'alah (mish-aw-law'); from 7592; a request: KJV-- desire, petition.

DESIRES (BROWN-DRIVER-BRIGGS' HEBREW LEXICON) = # 4862 mish'alah-request, petition, desire

#4862 IS DERIVED FROM #7592:

(STRONG'S HEBREW DICTIONARY) = #7592 sha'al; a primitive root; to inquire; by implication, to request; by extension, to demand: KJV-- ask (counsel, on), beg, borrow, lay to charge, consult, demand, desire, X earnestly, enquire, + greet, obtain leave, lend, pray, request, require, + salute, X straitly, X surely, wish.

(BROWN-DRIVER-BRIGGS' HEBREW LEXICON) = #7592 sha'al or sha'el-to ask, to enquire, to borrow, to beg

PRAYERS THAT WILL BE ANSWERED:

Psalms 2:8 Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.

Psalms 27:4 One thing have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in his temple.

Psalms 122:6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee.

Proverbs 30:7-9

- 7 Two things have I required of thee; deny me them not before I die:
- 8 Remove far from me vanity and lies: give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with food convenient for me:
- 9 Lest I be full, and deny thee, and say, Who is the LORD? or lest I be poor, and steal, and take the name of my God in vain.

Isaiah 45:11 Thus saith the LORD, the Holy One of Israel, and his Maker, Ask me of things to come concerning my sons, and concerning the work of my hands command ye me.

Jeremiah 6:16 Thus saith the LORD, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk therein.

Jeremiah 30:5-7

- 5 For thus saith the LORD; We have heard a voice of trembling, of fear, and not of peace.
- 6 Ask ye now, and see whether a man doth travail with child? wherefore do I see every man with his hands on his loins, as a woman in travail, and all faces are turned into paleness?
- 7 Alas! for that day is great, so that none is like it: it is even the time of Jacob's trouble; but he shall be saved out of it.

Zechariah 10:1 Ask ye of the LORD rain in the time of the latter rain; so the LORD shall make bright clouds, and give them showers of rain, to every one grass in the field.