

On Demand God

We live in world where we want things now! On demand society

- Series
- Movies
- Same day delivery

We have transferred that to God – we want an on demand God, we want to pray for something and we want it now!

We want exactly what we asked for.

Many people say “if God didn’t do what I know He could of done when I asked Him to do it. Then God either isn’t real, He isn’t powerful or He doesn’t care”. An on demand God does not exist.

God does not exist to serve us. We exist to serve Him.

We are not the main characters of the Bible—God is the main character.

IF GOD IS NOT AN ON-DEMAND GOD, WHO IS HE?

GOD’S HEART IS ALWAYS LOVING

How many times have your parents not helped you do something that they had the power to do it:

- Take a day off school
- Projects
- When you have forgotten something at home.

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?

Romans 8:35

What shall separate us from the love of Christ? Financial trouble? Cancer? Relationship breakdown? Depression?

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future,

nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:37-39

God doesn’t prove His love when He answers our prayers. God proved His love when He sent His Son to die for our sins.

GOD'S WAYS ARE ALWAYS HIGHER

There are so many things that we can't even attempt to explain:

- Child is born with a deformity.
- A person is struck down in the prime of their life.
- Natural disaster takes lives of innocent people.

There are so many things that happen that are out of our control and understanding – because we are just finite beings.

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the LORD. "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Isaiah 55:8-9

So many times we say "if I was God I wouldn't have done it that way."

But we aren't God, He knows the end from the beginning, often He takes the things we would never want and uses it to our advantage.

GOD'S PRESENCE IS ALWAYS ENOUGH

Imagine a time when you can say " I don't have to worry about what will happen to me, because I know my God is with me".

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me

Psalms 23:4

Same God that is good on the mountaintop is good in the valley.

TALK IT OVER

- Are your thoughts more focussed on doing what God wants you to do, or what you want Him to do for you?
- Are there any areas in your life where you still don't understand God's plans or how He's involved? What can you do?