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(Habakkuk 1:2) O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not hear? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save?

(Job 31:35) Oh, that I had one to hear me! (Here is my signature! Let the Almighty answer me!) Oh, that I had the indictment written by my adversary!

(Psalms 13:1) **To the choirmaster. A Psalm of David.** How long, O LORD? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me?

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...Because of Unprayed Prayers

(James 4:2) You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, **because you do not ask.**

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...Because of Unconfessed Sin

(Psalms 66:18) If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened.

(Proverbs 28:9) If one turns away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer is an abomination.

(1 Peter 3:12) For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their prayer. But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil."

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...B/c of Unbelieving Minds

(James 1:6-8) But let him ask in faith, **with no doubting**, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind. **For that person must not suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.**

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(James 4:3) You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.

(1 John 5:14) And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us.

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...B/c of Unresolved Conflicts

(Mark 11:25) And whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone, so that your Father also who is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses."

(Matthew 5:23) So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you,

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(Proverbs 21:13) Whoever closes his ear to the cry of the poor will himself call out and not be answered.

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B/c Husbands Treat Wife Badly

(1 Peter 3:7) ...Husbands, live with your wives in an understanding way, showing honor to the woman...so that your prayers may not be hindered.

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**Good News! Nothing on this List
is Unfixable!**

When We Pray, if...
Request is Wrong – God says “No.”
**Timing is Wrong – God says, “Not
Yet!”**

**We Need to Correct Something
– God says, “Fix it! Learn & Grow.”**

If All is Right – God says, “Yes”

Or

**He says, “Wait! I have something
different/better in mind for you.”**