

"GIMME GOD" PRAYERS - John 14, 15 © 2011 DianaDee Osborne page 1 of 2

MUSIC SHEET

4/4 time (pu = 1-1/2)

TEMPO: 132** BPM (half-time for verses)

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Album: Amazing Hope 'n' Humor

James 4:3. "And even when you do ask, you don't get it because your whole motive is wrong--you want only what will give you pleasure." NLT
"You ask and do not receive, because you ask amiss, that you may spend it on your pleasures." --NKJV
"When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures." --NIV

Romans 5:8. "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." We should be ashamed at our attempts to control Almighty God with our prayers. He's ALREADY proven His love--even if He never answered another "Gimme God" prayer.

BUT, Do we pray THIS Way?

Verse 1

I wait for You, God. I wait for You. Where are those blessings I've asked from You?
You God have promised blessings: John 14: 14. I HOLD You to it, and Pray:
God give me
health, gimme wealth, gimme luck and lots of things.
Gimme beauty and success, gimme lots and lots of friends. I hold You
TO IT, You Must DO it, God, or what would people think if
You were a God who would not answer all our prayers? If
You, God, refused to answer all our prayers, if
You did not PROVE to us You God really care about us?

Verse 2

I wait for You, God. I wait for You. I've served You well, God. Don't I deserve
to get these blessings I've asked. Must I beg You? Don't
let me down, God, I pray:
God, give me
peace, give me Power, gimme wisdom, gimme strength. You Yourself
made this promise, You God answer all things! I hold You
TO IT, You Must DO it, God, or what would people think if
You, God, refused to answer all our prayers, if
You did not PROVE to us You God really care about us?

SPOKEN: IN JAMES 4:3, God tells us, "*And even when you do ask, you don't get it because your whole motive is wrong--you want only what will give you pleasure.*" "You ask and do not receive," says New King James Version, "because you ask amiss, that you may spend it on your own pleasures."

Romans 5:8. "God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." We should be ashamed at our attempts to control Almighty God with our prayers. [He's ALREADY proven His love--even if He never answered another "Gimme God" prayer.]

So Let us change to we pray THIS way, praying RESPECTFULLY to our Lord.

Verse 3

I wait for You, God. I wait for You. You've proved Your love, God. I don't deserve to get these blessings I've asked. I TRUST Your Love.
Forgive my selfish prayers! God, give me peace, give me Power, gimme wisdom, gimme strength. You Yourself made this promise, and I TRUST YOU in all things.....
..... If I don't see answers, I trust You, my King!
You are a God Who loves me, and I will trust You, For You, Jesus showed you care, that you love us, and You already proved to us on that Cross that You love ME.

Spoken:

Titus 1:2, God CAN-NOT lie. So you can KNOW **this** from Romans 5:8:

“God shows His own love toward YOU, in that while YOU were still a sinner, Christ died for YOU.” 2nd Peter 3:9 ... God does not want ANYONE to perish....

God has ALREADY proven His love for you ----

even if He never answers another “Gimme God” prayer.

Song Story. This song was a long time in development. I knew the basic concept, that I wanted to emphasis selfishness in our prayers, and how silly it is to expect God to answer disrespectful demands in the claim that He has to answer in order to keep His promise. During the week that we recorded the final vocal, I actually was in a church service where the long sermon vehemently claimed that God will do ANYTHING we ask.

That's partially Biblical.... And a part truth = a Lie. Sermon reference: First John 5:14 and 15. What it actually says is “if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him.” But that itty bitty phrase “according to His will” gets left out of a lot of sermons on this and similar scriptures. So do humble respectfulness for God's Majesty. We give politicians more respect than God Our King. Amazingly how many people quote Matthew 7:7 and 21:22 gleefully, but don't admit that God's Word includes Luke 22:42.

Here's the usual sermon outline for erroneous teachings based on partial scriptures:

1. If we believe and have faith, all we have to do is ask God for it.
2. We have to have absolute belief, but God MUST do it because he said so, Matt 7:7.
3. God honors 'good' people by answering their prayers.

Here's what God's Word actually says (Luke 22:42 etc):

Jesus, the only truly Good Man who has ever lived, prayed for God to *“take this cup away from Me.”*

According to the above sermon, therefore God MUST do it. And Jesus NEVER would have gone to the Cross. But Jesus respectfully added, *“Not my will, but Yours, be done.”* How can we ever think that we humans have the right to make **GIMME GOD** prayer demands on God? We should be amazed that He so often lovingly gives us blessings that we most assuredly do not deserve. Just because He loves us.