

PRAYING FOR ANSWERS

Have you ever asked yourself, “Why do sad things happen?” Or, “Am I doing the right thing?” Life can be confusing or frustrating when things don’t go the way we think they should. Prayer can help us deal with tough questions.

Bahá’u’lláh, Jesus, and all of God’s Messengers say God hears our prayers. But His answers can be mysterious. Sometimes you might feel like you aren’t being heard at all. Still, the Bahá’í writings

tell us that God answers our prayers “according to His supreme wisdom.” Like a wise physician prescribing the right medicine, God knows what will help us and what won’t. What we *want* might not be what we really *need*.

We can pray for God to make clear what is best for us. We can ask for strength and peace. And we can trust that God will answer our prayers in ways that will help us grow spiritually.

READ THE PRAYER, THEN CHECK OUT THE WORDS BELOW.



O God! Resuscitate us; give us sight; give us hearing; familiarize us with the mysteries of life, so that the secrets of Thy kingdom may become revealed to us in this world of existence and we may confess Thy oneness. Every bestowal emanates from Thee; every benediction is Thine.

Thou art mighty. Thou art powerful. Thou art the Giver, and Thou art the Ever-Bounteous.

—‘Abdu’l-Bahá

LOOK AT EACH WORD ON THE LEFT AND FIND IT IN THE PRAYER. THEN DRAW A LINE TO THE CORRECT DEFINITION ON THE RIGHT.

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| 1 Resuscitate | A Make well-known |
| 2 Familiarize | B Shown, made clear |
| 3 Revealed | C Being, life |
| 4 Existence | D Revive, bring back to life |
| 5 Confess | E Divine blessing |
| 6 Bestowal | F Declare, acknowledge |
| 7 Emanates | G Gift given as an honor |
| 8 Benediction | H Generous, giving freely |
| 9 Bounteous | I Comes forth, radiates |

FOR CLUES, SEE HOW THE WORDS ARE USED IN THE PRAYER.

