

Series: MOVED – God Is Moved By Prayer

Sermon: When Prayer Moves God

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[2Sa 24:25 NASB95] 25 David built there an altar to the LORD and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings. Thus the LORD was moved by prayer for the land, and the plague was held back from Israel.

Introduction:

- God in sovereignty will be moved when we pray!
- **2 Samuel 24**
 - **David acknowledges his need of God.** [2Sa 24:10 NASB95]
 - **David trusts in the mercy of God.** [2Sa 24:14 NASB95]
 - **David loves, intercedes for people.** [2Sa 24:17 NASB95]
 - **David gives an offering to God.** [2Sa 24:24 NASB95]
 - **David prays to God.** [2Sa 24:25 NASB95]

Interrogative (attitude or feel, know, do): When does God moves as a response to prayer?

Transitional: There are five things in this passage that tell us when God is moved as a response to prayer.

Body (Scripture, Illustration, Argumentation, Application):

- I. **God is moved by prayer when we understand/acknowledge our need of Him.**
 - a. [1Pe 5:6 NASB95]
 - b. [2Ch 7:14 NASB95]
 - c. The people who pray are often those who understand that without God's help they are not going to make it.
- II. **God is moved by prayer when we trust in this mercy/love of for us.**
 - a. [Heb 4:16 NASB95]
 - b. The people who pray those who know that God loves them and will show them mercy.
- III. **God is moved by prayer when we love other people.**
 - a. [Gal 5:6 NASB95]
 - b. [1Ti 2:1 NASB95]
 - c. People need us to pray for them.
- IV. **God is moved by prayer when we are willing givers.**
 - a. [2Co 9:6-8 NASB95]
 - b. [Jas 4:3 NASB95]
 - c. Many times, giving is connected to answers to prayer.
- V. **God is moved by prayer when we pray...actually pray.**
 - a. [Mat 21:22 NASB95]
 - b. God answers prayers that are actually prayed.

Conclusion (attitude or feel, know, do) (Sermon in a sentence):

- God will move as a response to prayers by people who humble themselves before Him, trust in His mercy, love other people, are willing givers, and who pray.
- God is ready to move when you pray.
 - Set a time/rhythm.
 - Show up.