

December 9

Response-Able

Perhaps our greatest ability is our availability, without which all other abilities go unused. The Word of God says that if we see a brother in need and we have what it takes to meet that need, but we are not moved with compassion to help, how is it that the love of God could dwell within us? Simply put, this scripture says that if we have the opportunity and the ability to respond to a need, and yet we fail to respond then our ability is wasted for lack of response.

While many people are looking for authority, God is looking for people who are responsible. When God finds a responsible person, one who will respond with their ability to meet the need, He gives them all of the authority necessary to complete their mission. It is God's responsibility to open the doors and man's responsibility to go through those doors. Respond when you are able.

Prayer for Today

Father, thank You for making me more than able to meet every challenge of life and also for the ability to come along side and help others in their needs, as well. I will learn to lean on the greater One within me and develop a response-able attitude about everything in life.

Scriptures for Today

Philippians 4:13 I can do everything through him who gives me strength. (NIV)

1 Corinthians 10:13 No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it. (NIV)

Revelation 3:7 And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write, "These things says He who is holy, He who is true, He who has the key of David, He who opens and no one shuts, and shuts and no one opens." (NKJV)