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Sharing Hope in Christ, Power through Prayer

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WAITING TO HEAR

"I sought the Lord, and HE heard me..." (Psalm 34:4)

The renowned Scottish essayist Thomas Carlyle married his secretary Jane Welsh, who devoted her life to him and his work. Though he was fully occupied with his work, he is said to have loved her dearly. Some years after their marriage, Jane took ill and died suddenly. After the funeral, Carlyle was a broken man when he entered her room alone and looked at her diary. It was only then that he realized his neglect of her and how she had longed to simply talk with him and spend time alone with him.

This reminds us that God loves us dearly and waits for us to have fellowship with Him in prayer - and how often do we neglect Him? **Today God's plans include you - do your plans include God?**

So, let us ask the Lord to create an awareness of Himself in us; to make us God centered. Then He will be our all in all. Beware of self-centeredness. Self-centeredness will slowly, but surely give birth to self-pity - and self-pity is disastrous to our spiritual life. Simply ask the Lord to give you Christ awareness which will produce completeness in Him. A complete life is the life of a trusting child. The child of God is certain that God always answers prayer.

The lover of our souls welcomes our communion with Him.

- He calls us to prayer continually.
"Pray continually" (I Thessalonians 5:17)
- He waits patiently at the door of our hearts.
"Here I am! I stand at the door and knock." (Revelation 3:20)
- He listens attentively to our every call and the cries of our hearts; He even collects our tears!
"...list my tears on your scroll - are they not in your record?" (Psalm 56:8)

But how often does He wait in vain?

"...That you may know the hope of His calling..." (Ephesians 1:18)

Jesus longs for our fellowship even more than we long for His. So may we not keep the Master waiting to hear from us. As we commune with Him frequently in prayer, we will know Him intimately so we may also grasp with clarity His will for our lives. Today, let us take a giant step to generate power through prayer.