Volume 4, Day 1: Who Does God Help?

"God helps those who help themselves." That only makes sense. Or does it? When we ask God to help us heal a physical ailment, does He give us surgical skills and tools to perform medical procedures on ourselves? "NO!" Does He just bolt out of the blue and heal our sickness? "NO!" Is God obligated to heal us? "NO!" Is God an unloving parent when He does not give us what we want? "NO!"

Then, why do we get angry with God when we do not get the healing we think we deserve? Well actually our anger is unfounded, and yet common to most of us, for two reasons. First, what we deserve is nothing. "There is none righteous, NO, not one." "All of my righteousness is as filthy rags" to God. Secondly, God purposely allows in His wisdom that which He could easily prevent by His power.

Who does the surgeon help? Does he help those who help themselves? "NO!" Does the surgeon even ask you to assist him? "NO!" The physician performs his healing work on those, and only those, who agree that he is needed, he is the chosen one and he has WRITTEN PERMISSION from them to perform his work on them!

So, it follows then, even from our own experience in life, that God only helps those who will humble themselves and LET GOD DO HIS HEALING WORK! So if you have ever, and most of us have, been angry with God because He would not help you, APOLOGIZE for your arrogance. REPENT of your arrogance. [REPENT means to change your mind about what you believe, in this case about who needs who and who really does the job.] Admit that you are not the physician, but you are a willing recipient. And for sure, humble yourself under his skillful hand. God only helps those who admit that they need to be fixed. And God's primary fixing, is the fixing of the soul. And the soul that is 'fixed' is the soul that rejoices in adversity and pain knowing that God IS love and can be fully trusted to have a 'divine' purpose in everything in the life of that soul.

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