
I need more ... HELP!



"Daddy, I need your help." Seven-year-old Samuel was trying to build a little house for the family's pet dog. But cutting and joining the boards was proving to be a challenge for his ability. His father was honored that his son would look up to him for guidance, so dad gladly pitched in and provided the help to complete the project.

Whether we are seven or seventy-seven, there are times that we all need help. When challenges at our jobs become more than we handle, we are wise to ask for assistance. We might need someone's expert help to fix the car or repair the roof because if we tried to do it ourselves we'd make matters worse. When a relationship we have with someone is strained to the point of breaking, we'll look for help to mediate the matter.

How foolish it would be to seek the help of someone who is incompetent or unreliable. I wouldn't ask someone for help to repair my car's transmission if the person knows very little about vehicle maintenance. I won't ask someone to help me with a job if I'm fairly sure that they are not going to be there when I need them. I need to be able to count on people who have the ability to provide help for me.

We can always rely on God for his help. The Bible says, "*Our help is in the name of the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth*" (Psalm 124:8). God is certainly capable. He is the creator of the universe. He called all things into being with his all-powerful word. And he still controls the course of his creation. We can have confidence in the almighty God! He is always near to help us.

The greatest help that God has provided is Jesus. He sent his Son from heaven to live with us here on earth. We needed his help because our sin separated us from God and the joy of eternal life with him. Jesus restored our relationship with God by bearing the punishment we deserved as sinners. He is our helper who died for us and rose from the dead to give us the hope of heaven.

In Jesus we have all the help we need. That's why we worship him, and we invite you to share with us the joy of praising him for his great help.