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BIBLE ADVENTURES SCRIPT:

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Welcome to Bible Adventures. Help for today. Hope for tomorrow. Jesus is Lord of all.

Prayer to the Living Almighty God is very powerful, as this true story shows. A Christian man and his wife from Australia had been doing volunteer work in Africa. They needed permission to stay for another three months. But there had been a misunderstanding, and the officials had told them they should have left six weeks ago. The officers told them to pay a huge fine and to make plans to go back home at once.

They were VERY worried! The man, his wife, and their African friend, all prayed to their faithful God. They asked Him to make these mountain problems into small hills. The next day all three of them again went to the local immigration office. The only person who could help them was the Chief Immigration Officer, but he was in a town two hours drive away. And they could not contact him by phone.

They all had faith that somehow God would help them. Well, ten minutes later, what a surprise! The Chief Immigration Officer walked into the office, quite unexpectedly! He listened to their story and sorted out all their problems. They did NOT have to pay a fine, and he told them they could stay for 3 more months, if they wished! This showed how powerful prayer to the One True God can be! When you have come to God through the Lord Jesus Christ, and are following Him, you can be sure He hears you. He wants you to tell Him when you are helpless. He wants you to know you can depend on Him, and He will reward your faith.

The people of Israel did not have such faith. They had escaped slavery in Egypt, and were on their way to the Promised Land. They had travelled through the desert, where there was very little food, and God had sent manna for them. This was a special food they gathered from where it lay on the ground each morning, and there was more than enough for everyone. But they grew tired of the same food day after day, and longed to eat meat. They started thinking about all the different foods they had had in the land of slavery, and they started grumbling.

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The people of Israel had forgotten all God had done to set them free from slavery in Egypt. They had seen how He parted the Red Sea, so they could cross it, and how He had closed the water again to stop the Egyptians catching them. They had seen how God changed undrinkable, bitter water into water sweet enough to drink. They had seen how God gave them food in the dry desert. Yet they forgot all those wondrous things. The pillar of cloud by day, and the pillar of fire by night still showed God was with them, but they took no notice. Instead, the Israelites complained to one another. They were tired of the manna God had sent! They wanted something different! But nothing changed; no-one could do anything about it, so they just stood around, getting more and more angry with Moses.

Then Moses did what they, too, should have done. He took their problems to God. What could he do? Moses asked God, he was just one man. How could he look after all these people? Why didn't God help him? It was all too much!

Moses did not just grumble like everyone else. He was very upset, but he took his problems to the right place. God had helped them up until now, and surely, God must still help them.

And God did answer His faithful servant Moses. He caused a strong wind to bring thousands and thousands of plump, juicy quails for the Israelites' cooking pots. Once again, there was more than enough.

Things may seem impossible to us, but we have an ALL-mighty God. He understands when life is very difficult, but He allows our problems so that we will come to Him. He is our Father, and wants us to know He loves us and cares for us. And He knows what we are like - when life is easy we so soon forget His goodness to us. But when we have problems, we see our need to stay close to Him, just as Moses did.

Moses was humble before God. Moses did not pretend he had any answers, and he told God honestly, how troubled he was. Moses had faith in God, but his people did not have that sort of faith. They only showed faith in God when everything was going well, and that kind of faith is really no faith at all. God wants His children at all times to trust Him even when life is dark and difficult. That is true faith; it pleases God our Father and brings honour to Him.

But we must not think we can force God to answer our prayers. The Bible book Isaiah, chapter 66, tells us God listens to those who are humble in spirit, who honour and obey Him.

In the Bible book John, chapter 14, Jesus said this, "I will do whatever you ask, in My Name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father. You may ask Me for anything in My Name, and I will do it." But we must remember our asking MUST be truly something that would be pleasing to Him. God will not do for us anything that is against His nature or will. We cannot use His Name as a recipe to get our own way. Just saying "In Jesus' name" is not a magic formula.

A godly man from a century back, said: I prayed for faith, and thought that some day faith would come down and strike me like lightning. But faith did not seem to come. One day I read in the tenth chapter of Romans, “Now faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God.” I had closed my Bible, and prayed for faith. I now opened my Bible, and began to study, and faith has been growing ever since.

In the New Testament book of Hebrews, chapters 11 and 12, faith is recorded for us as it was demonstrated in the lives of the people of God throughout the generations. Life was not easy and without problems for them. But they persevered. A weak faith is weakened by troubles and disasters but a strong faith is strengthened by them.

When we sincerely believe in God and in His One and Only Son, Jesus, we are God’s children, and have the right to come to Him. When we truly want to do His will, He will give us what we ask for. Psalm 37 says this, "Give yourself to the Lord; trust in Him, and He will help you be patient and wait for the Lord to act."

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That was Scott Wojohn, and the song was “Your Comfort.”

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