

Psalm 20 (ASV)

¹ Jehovah answer thee in the day of trouble;
The name of the God of Jacob set thee up on high;
² Send thee help from the sanctuary,
And strengthen thee out of Zion;
³ Remember all thy offerings,
And accept thy burnt-sacrifice; *Selah*
⁴ Grant thee thy heart's desire,
And fulfil all thy counsel.
⁵ We will triumph in thy salvation,
And in the name of our God we will set up our banners:
Jehovah fulfil all thy petitions.
⁶ Now know I that Jehovah saveth his anointed;
He will answer him from his holy heaven
With the saving strength of his right hand.
⁷ Some *trust* in chariots, and some in horses;
But we will make mention of the name of Jehovah our God.
⁸ They are bowed down and fallen;
But we are risen, and stand upright.
⁹ Save, Jehovah:
Let the King answer us when we call.

Study the Psalm and fill in the categories as Scripture reveals.

God:

I: .

Some:

Prayer

Father, thank You for the reminder of all You do for those whose faith is in You, not others or worldly devices. Let Your name be on my lips, and my heart trust in You alone. Let me be Your herald. In Jesus's name. Amen.

Reflection

Does this psalm mean that God will give us everything we ask for?

How do you define success?

Make a list of three things you desire God to give you or do for you.

This Psalm was a prayer or petition offered up by the people for King David's protection. Who in authority today can we pray over?

Response ~ Lisa Pritchard

November 4th, I woke up in a beautiful, historic home at Weymouth Center for the Arts and Humanities in Southern Pines. I pulled out my Bible and my "study stuff" and opened everything up in a quiet nook of the home that overlooks a beautiful garden. I opened the squeaky glass-paned window, and the cool morning breeze rolled in. The bird's sweet song drifted to my ears.

I closed my eyes and thanked God for this amazing opportunity to view His world in a different place and prayed that He would allow me to serve Him in any small way that brings Him glory through my writing. Not for myself—though it would be a lie to say I don't wish to be successful—but more than that, to be His herald—like Habakkuk.

Then I read this passage, and this psalm is for the February 2026 study. Coincidence? Nah. God knew where my heart would be this morning, and He had His response prepared—in His Word. "Grant thee thy heart's desire" and "fulfill all thy petitions. David's people prayed to God to protect their king. I am asking God to bless my work for His glory. Are you hoping for something? Ask the Lord, He hears us.

This brings me to one more point we all know but sometimes forget. If we want to hear from Him, we should delve into the Word, where He has already prepared His responses to the questions, fears, hopes, and doubts He knew we would have beforehand. I pray that each of us has a large, strong shovel, and that we DIG, DIG, DIG. And don't be surprised if your perspective on success shifts as you spend more time with the Lord and His Word. Mine has. Hallelujah!

Guest Response NONE

Reminder I would love to hear from you! Use the "Contact" page under "More" to submit your response about how God moved you in this passage. If you grant permission in your response, I may post it on the website's main page for the following week. If you don't want it posted, that's okay too. I will keep it private. Thank you, and I pray you are blessed in amazing ways.