

## Food for Thought

For the week of August 3, 2014  
(Questions and Scriptures for further personal study)

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This weekend Larry mentioned there are many reasons why our prayers are hindered or go unanswered by God. The list below contains 12 different reasons. Read through each verse and draw a line to the corresponding reason.

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| 1) Proverbs 21:13  | Pray to be heard by others                 |
| 2) 1 Peter 3:7     | Have spiritual pride                       |
| 3) 1 John 5:14     | Lack of persistence                        |
| 4) Proverbs 28:9   | Lack of faith                              |
| 5) James 4:3-4     | Refuse to forgive someone                  |
| 6) Luke 18:1-8     | Refuse to obey God's commands              |
| 7) Psalm 66:18     | Have wrong value system                    |
| 8) Matthew 5:23-24 | Fail to show compassion on the poor        |
| 9) Luke 18:9-14    | Fail to have a godly home life             |
| 10) Mark 11:25     | Refuse to let go of or confess a known sin |
| 11) Matthew 6:5    | Ask for something outside of God's will    |
| 12) Mark 11:23-24  | Refuse to right a wrong we have committed  |

Can you identify any of the hindrances above you've had victory in when it comes to your prayer life? Are there one or two prayer hindrances you'd like to work on in order to "clear up the line to God"? Take some time and talk to God about it.