

My Help

My 2-1/2-year-old grandson, Elijah, loves Lego building blocks. I am constantly amazed at how he will spend hours building and creating with blocks that I can barely stack into a rickety tower. Elijah assembles little vehicles, houses, small cities and yes, even towers like his pappy. Somewhere in the recesses of a mind unencumbered with the cares of the world, Elijah has a wonderful imagination and the ability to entertain himself as he engineers new designs and creations.

He does have one major challenge, however. The storage container that houses the Legos has a lid that snaps on. The lid is designed so that if the container tips over it will not come off. Little Elijah's hands are simply too small, and not yet strong enough, to get the lid off. After struggling many times in the past to remove the lid himself, Elijah now invariably just drags the receptacle that is holding his Legos hostage over to me, so I can set them free. My hands are large enough and strong enough to reach down and simply snap the lid off with just a flick of my thumb.

The other day Elijah moved the container in front of me for my help in getting him access to his world of Lego creations. I reached down and easily popped the lid off with one hand. A grateful grandson then moved over right in front of my face, looked up at me and said, "Pappy, you're the *best* helper ever." There was, I am sure, an involuntary swelling of my chest as I said, "Yes, yes I am."

Perhaps the Psalmist understood and appreciated this same principle when he said, "I lift up my eyes to the hills—from whence comes my help? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth" (Ps. 121:1).

Again in Psalm 124 David declares, "Our help is in the name of the Lord" (v. 8). He then shifts to a wonderful level of

praise when he exclaims, "Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob" (Ps. 146:5, NIV).

What's interesting is that I looked up the word *help* in *Strong's Concordance* to find out exactly what the word meant. It means, "help." Pretty simple. The connotation is that the help is not specified. It is overall help—help for whatever you need.

Are your emotions shattered? *He is your help.* Is your heart broken? *He is your help.* Have the wheels come off and life isn't the way it's supposed to be? *He is your help.* Maybe your spouse left, or your child is rebelling, or the job you depended on is no more. *He is your help.* Maybe the report from the doctor took your breath away and hope seems illusive. *He is your help.*

Write that eternal truth down. Put it on sticky notes, and stick them up so you read it everywhere you turn. *He is your help.* And Oh how *blessed* you will be when you realize that the One we call Lord—the mighty One over all the earth—is your *help*.

This week, maybe you need to stop trying to get the lid off of your Legos on your own. Maybe you just need to drag the container over to the Holy One of Israel. He will reach down, and with His strong right hand, pop the lid off. He will be your help.

Then don't forget to look up into His face and lovingly say, "Abba Father, you're the *best* helper ever." He loves that. Listen closely and you might hear Him reply, "Yes, yes I am."

When you need help, just ask Him. He will be there.

He will be your help.

I promise.

PRAYER POWER FOR THE WEEK OF 10-15-2012

This week incorporate lots of praise into your prayer time. Let Him know that He's the best helper ever and that you can depend on Him for anything and everything you need. Thank Him that He never leaves you nor forsakes you no matter how things look. Continue to pray for unity in the body of Christ so that we can come together in one accord for revival, a harvest of souls and the extension of God's kingdom. Pray for the upcoming elections and ask God to reveal what is true and what is not so you can make an intelligent decision. Pray for the protection of the candidates, their families and those working in the campaigns. Ask the Lord to guide you through the election process and pray for the peace and protection of Jerusalem. 2 Chron. 7:14; Ps. 124:8

To enrich your prayer life and learn how to strategically pray with power by using appropriate Scriptures, we recommend the following sources by Apostle John Eckhardt: Prayers that Rout Demons, Prayers that Bring Healing, Prayers that Release Heaven on Earth and Prayers that Break Curses. To order any or all of these [click here](#).