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Romans 8:26-27

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I. He will most certainly help us when we pray.

26 Likewise the Spirit helps us

- *Psalm 30:10 Hear, O Lord, and be merciful to me! O Lord, be my helper!*
- *Psalm 54:4 Behold, God is my helper; the Lord is the upholder of my life.*

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- *Psalm 72:12-14 For he delivers the needy when he calls, the poor and him who has no helper. 13 He has pity on the weak and the needy, and saves the lives of the needy. 14 From oppression and violence he redeems their life, and precious is their blood in his sight.*

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- *John 14:16-17 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, 17 even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.*

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- *Psalm 118:1-7 Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever! 2 Let Israel say, “His steadfast love endures forever.” 3 Let the house of Aaron say, “His steadfast love endures forever.” 4 Let those who fear the Lord say, “His steadfast love endures forever.” 5 Out of my distress I called on the Lord; the Lord answered me and -*

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- *set me free. 6 The Lord is on my side; I will not fear.
What can man do to me? 7 The Lord is on my side as my helper; I shall look in triumph on those who hate me.*

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II. He will strengthen us in our weakness.
in our weakness.

A. He strengthens our faith in what only He can do.

- *Isaiah 41:10 fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.*



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II. He will strengthen us in our weakness.
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B. He strengthens our resolve against sin.

- *Matthew 26:41 Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.”*
- *Matthew 6:13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.*
- *1 Thessalonians 5:17 ...pray without ceasing...*

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C. He strengthens our hearts to endure all that we're facing.

- *Matthew 26:39 And going a little farther he fell on his face and prayed, saying, "My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as you will."*

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- *Psalm 10:17 O Lord, you hear the desire of the afflicted; you will strengthen their heart; you will incline your ear*
- *1 Thessalonians 3:13 May he strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones.*

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II. He will strengthen us in our weakness.
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D. He strengthens our understanding.

- *Ephesians 3:17-19 so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, 18 may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, 19 and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.*

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E. He strengthens us for the the task at hand.

- *Nehemiah 6:9 For they all wanted to frighten us, thinking, “Their hands will drop from the work, and it will not be done.” But now, O God, strengthen my hands.*

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III. He knows precisely what we are longing for.

For we do not know what to pray for as we ought,

- *James 4:3 You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.*
- *Luke 11:1 Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples."*

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- *Matthew 6:9-13 Pray then like this: “Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. 10 Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. 11 Give us this day our daily bread, 12 and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. 13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. [For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.]”*

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- *Romans 8:34 Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.*

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- *Hebrews 7:25 Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. It is the Father's will that the Holy Spirit of Christ intercedes for you through prayer.*

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