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Perhaps you are saying, 'I have received so few of God's good gifts. He has fulfilled so few of my wishes.' Why is your life so poor? You certainly cannot blame God. Let God ask you a few questions: 'Have you fulfilled My wishes and My will by living according to My commandments? Have you given Me first place in your life and loved Me above all else? Have you loved your fellow beings with a love that bears all things, endures all things and does not become resentful? Have you honoured your parents? Have you slandered anyone, lied, stolen or committed adultery?'

If you are wondering about unanswered prayer, there is a scripture telling who will receive from God the good things for which he has asked: 'We have confidence before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him.' So act according to the will of God, and you will experience the truth of His promise: 'I will rejoice in doing them good.'

1 John 3:21-22; Jeremiah 32:41 RSV

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