



## Rule #4: When Facing A Crisis... PRAY!

Red Sea Rules #4  
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*And we know that all that happens to us is working for our good if we love God and are fitting into his plans.* **Romans 8:28 (TLB)**

*As Pharaoh approached, the Israelites looked up, and there were the Egyptians, marching after them. They were terrified and cried out to the LORD.* **Exodus 14:10 (NIV)**

*I cry out to the LORD; I pray to the LORD for mercy.<sup>2</sup> I pour out my problems to him; I tell him my troubles.* **Psalms 142:1 (NCV)**

*God's Word is an indispensable weapon. In the same way, prayer is essential in this ongoing warfare. Pray hard and long.* **Ephesians 6:17b-18a (MSG)**

- **My words to God** are as essential as **God's words to me**.

*Be happy in your hope. Do not give up when trouble comes. Do not let anything stop you from praying.* **Romans 12:12 (NLT)**

### ***What can I expect when I keep praying in my crisis?***

**1-** I can expect God to **listen**.

*You saw the misery of our ancestors in Egypt, and you heard their cries from beside the Red Sea.* **Nehemiah 9:9 (NLT)**

*When you call to me and pray to me, I will listen to you.* **Jeremiah 29:12 (CJB)**

*I cried out to the Lord in my suffering, and he heard me. He set me free from all my fears.* **Psalms 34:6 (NLT)**

*Is anyone crying for help? God is listening, ready to rescue you.* **Psalms 34:17 (MSG)**

**2-** I can expect God to **speak**.

*Moses and Aaron were among his priests... They called to the LORD, and he answered them.<sup>7</sup> He spoke to them from the pillar of cloud...* **Psalms 99:6-7a (NCV)**

- Prayer is not a **dictation**... it's a **dialogue**.

*God, I cry out to you for help, but you don't answer. I stand up and pray, but you don't pay attention to me.* **Job 30:20 (ERV)**

*Then the Lord spoke to Job out of the storm.* **Job 38:1 (NIV)**

*Open your ears, God, to my prayer; don't pretend you don't hear me knocking. Come close and whisper your answer. I really need you.* **Psalms 55:1-2 (MSG)**

*The Lord says, "If someone trusts me, I will save them. I will protect my followers who call to me for help."<sup>15</sup> When my followers call to me, I will answer them. I will be with them when they are in trouble. I will rescue them and honor them.* **Psalms 91:14-15 (ERV)**

**3-** I can expect God to **act**.

*But when they arrived at the Red Sea, the Egyptians chased after them with chariots and cavalry.<sup>7</sup> Then Israel cried out to me and I put darkness between them and the Egyptians; and I brought the sea crashing in upon the Egyptians, drowning them. You saw what I did. ...* **Joshua 24:6-7 (TLB)**

*The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results.* **James 5:16b (NLT)**

*Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble, and he brought them out of their distress.<sup>29</sup> He stilled the storm to a whisper; the waves of the sea were hushed.* **Psalms 107:28-29 (NIV)**

*And if you ask for anything in my name, I will do it for you.* **John 14:13a (ICB)**