

## God Help Me

Twisted – Part 3

“And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” John 8:32 (NLT)

Twisted Truth: God helps those who help themselves.

Real Truth: God helps those who recognize their total dependence on Him.

“...I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing.” John 15:5 (NLT)

### I express dependence by...

(John 15:5-13)

#### ...aligning my prayers with God's promises.

“But if you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask for anything you want, and it will be granted!”  
vs. 7 (NLT)

“You can ask for anything in my name, and I will do it...” John 14:13 (NLT)

Next Step: Pick a promise

#### ...living my life for God's glory.

“You should produce much fruit and show that you are my followers, which brings glory to my Father.” vs. 8 (NCV)

“...And as the Spirit of the Lord works within us, we become more and more like him and reflect his glory even more.”  
2 Corinthians 3:18 (LB)

Next Step: Pick a character trait

#### ...obeying out of love not for His love.

“When you obey my commandments, you remain in my love, just as I obey my Father's commandments and remain in his love.”  
vs. 10 (NLT)

“But people cannot do any work that will make them right with God. So they must trust in him...Then God accepts their faith, and that makes them right with him.” Romans 4:5 (NCV)

Next Step: Pick a place to trust God more.

#### ...loving and servicing others.

“This is my commandment: Love each other in the same way I have loved you. There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends.”  
vs. 12-13 (NLT)

“If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake, you will save it.”

Matthew 16:25 (NLT)

Next Step: Pick a person to serve