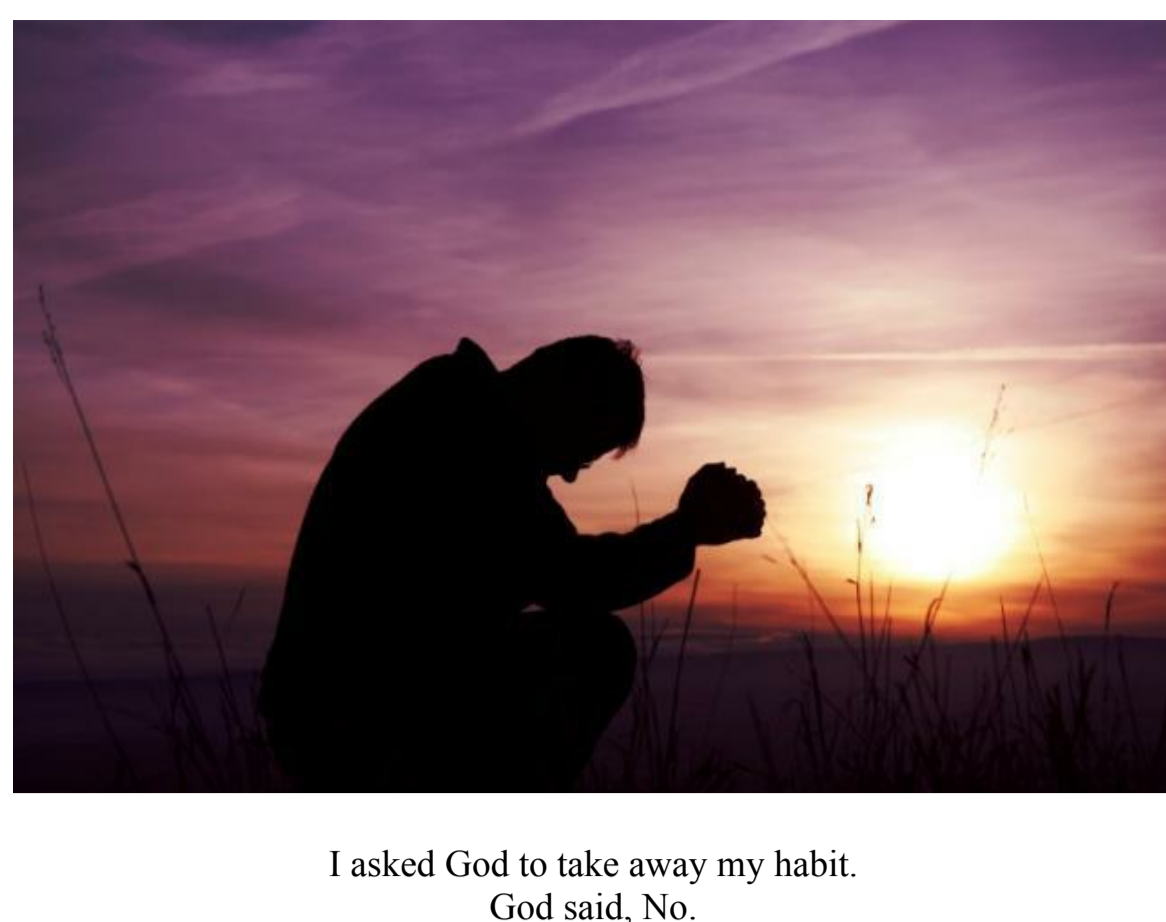


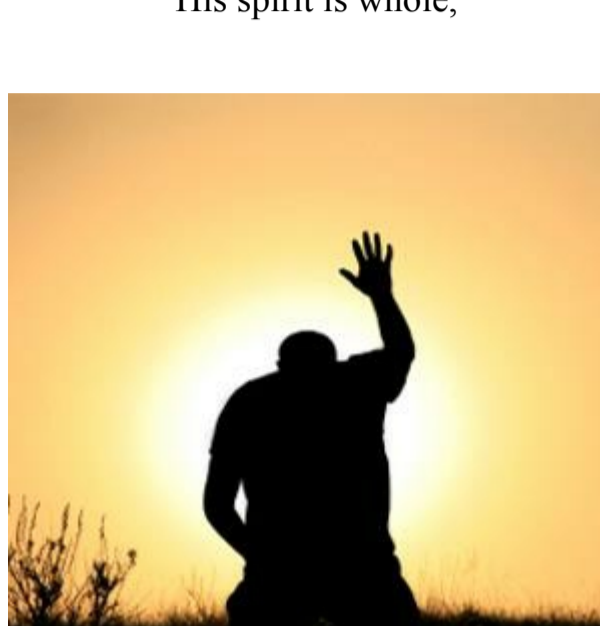
“I Asked God...”



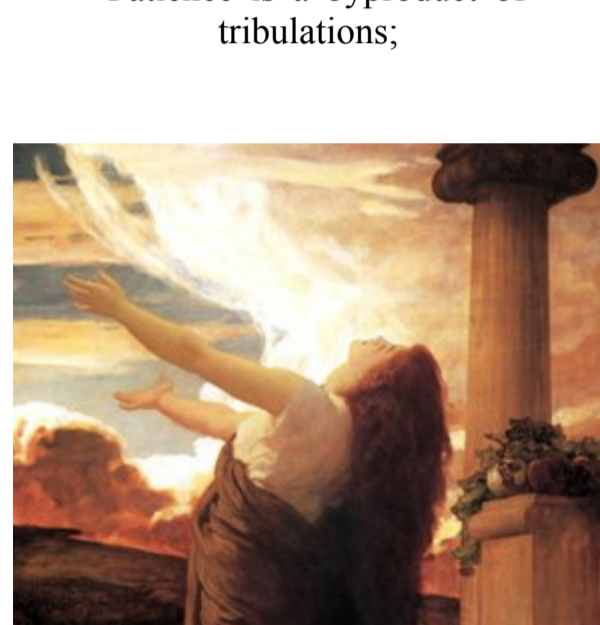
I asked God to take away my habit.
God said, No.
“It is not for Me to take away,
But for you to give it up.”



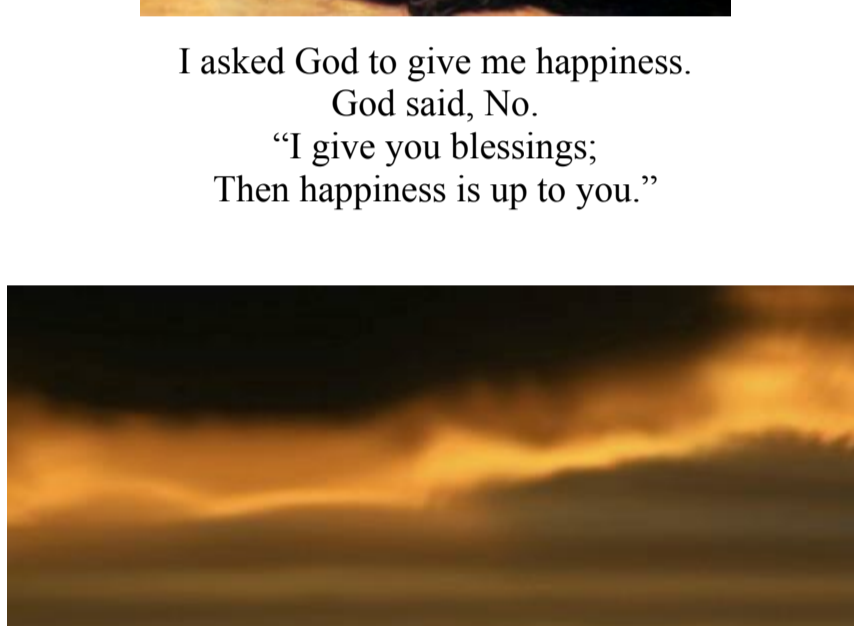
I asked God to make my handicapped child
whole.
God said, No.
“His spirit is whole,



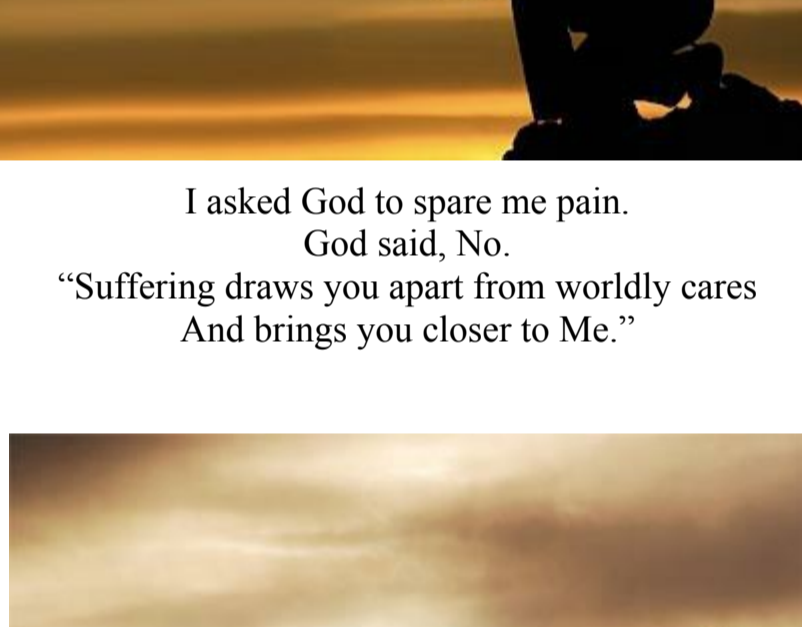
I asked God to grant me patience.
God said, No.
“Patience is a byproduct of
tribulations;



I asked God to give me happiness.
God said, No.
“I give you blessings;
Then happiness is up to you.”



I asked God to spare me pain.
God said, No.
“Suffering draws you apart from worldly cares
And brings you closer to Me.”



I asked God to make my spirit grow.
God said, No.
“You must grow on your own,
But I will prune you to make you fruitful.”



I asked God for all things,
That I might enjoy life.
God said, No.
“I will give you abundant life,



I asked God to help me LOVE others,
As much as He loves me.
God said, ...
“Ahhhh, finally you get the idea.”

