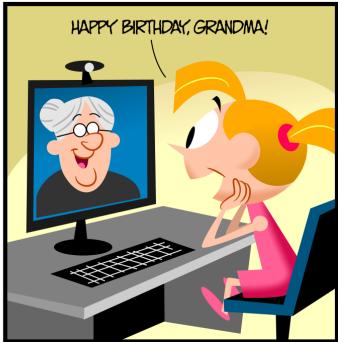
Follow Through— Pray

If you want to Skype or phone someone, you have to stop what you are doing and make the call, right? It doesn't help to only think about talking to them but then not follow through.





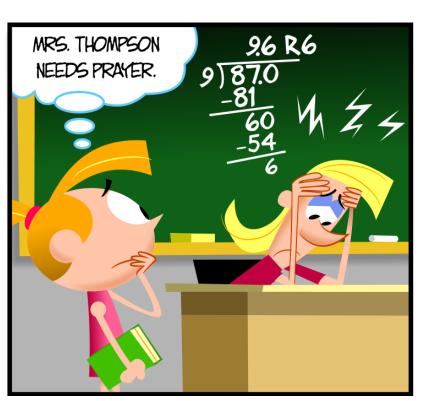




Ted merely thought about singing to his grandmother, but only Sandra actually greeted her. And that's how it is when God asks us to pray for someone or a situation. Jesus will put the idea in our hearts about an event or someone we should pray for, but then we need to do more than think about praying; we actually need to pray.

A thought about praying is only the beginning of a prayer. It's up to you to follow through and turn the thought into a prayer—into action.

If we don't actually pray the prayer, then God doesn't hear our request.



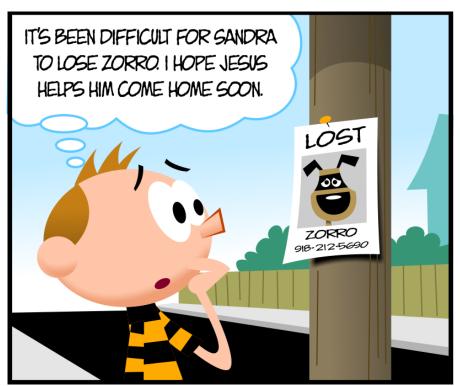






But when we pray, prayer changes things.

If you ask anything in My name, I will do it (John 14:14 NKJV).





Although God can do anything, He wants to work through you—and He often waits for you to pray before He begins the process of helping the person or situation.

You might feel like you can't do much for someone, but you can do mighty things through prayer!

You don't have what you want because you don't ask God for it

(James 4:2 NLT).









In the Bible, Christians are asked to pray for others: "Pray for all people.
Ask God to help them; intercede on their behalf, and give thanks for them" (1 Timothy 2:1 NLT).

Remember: When God shows you a person or situation that needs prayer, don't just think about praying—pray!



