

# Available

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Have you ever read **Deuteronomy 28** in its entirety? It's the word of God to the people of Israel which still holds true today for ALL of His children.

**Deuteronomy 28:1-6 - If you listen obediently to the Voice of GOD, your God, and heartily obey all his commandments that I command you today, GOD, your God, will place you on high, high above all the nations of the world. All these blessings will come down on you and spread out beyond you because you have responded to the Voice of GOD, your God: GOD's blessing inside the city, GOD's blessing in the country; GOD's blessing on your children, the crops of your land, the young of your livestock, the calves of your herds, the lambs of your flocks. GOD's blessing on your basket and bread bowl; GOD's blessing in your coming in, GOD's blessing in your going out. <sup>7</sup> GOD will defeat your enemies who attack you. They'll come at you on one road and run away on seven roads.**

It would seem like the word for today is *Available*. Several things came to mind as I was thinking of this word today. I'm an Uber and now a Lyft driver. As a driver, we are told to only log on to receive riders when we KNOW that we are available to accept ride requests. If we aren't available and we have to cancel, then we are, in a sense, hindering someone from getting to where they need to be. You may already see where this devotion is going. ☺

When we are available for the Lords work, first of all, we can't put a limit on it because God works in mysterious ways, and 2<sup>nd</sup> of all – we never know what the outcome will be because God alone holds the key to the end of any matter. However, we have a part to play when we make ourselves available, we allow Holy Spirit to adjust, re-adjust, maneuver, speed up, slow down, turn around, make a pit-stop, pull over at a rest stop, pick up 1 person, pick up 7 people, and the list goes on – we start to operate in freedom and obedience looks like availability in a way (it's all perspective!). The Word of God is our road map and Holy Spirit is our GPS!

**2 Timothy 3:16-17 - But don't let it faze you. Stick with what you learned and believed, sure of the integrity of your teachers—why, you took in the sacred Scriptures with your mother's milk! There's nothing like the written Word of God for showing you the way to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. Every part of Scripture is God-breathed and useful one way or another—showing us truth, exposing our rebellion, correcting our mistakes, training us to live God's way. Through the Word we are put together and shaped up for the tasks God has for us.**

All you have to do is look around to see signs all over the place that let us know when something is available or not available for that matter....Signs that read "Available While Supplies Last!" There's a good one! Guess what? God is our supply and He never runs out. So as long as we can somehow learn to make ourselves available to Him, He will help us and make things plain. His words not mine. How available are you today and/or how can you make yourself more available? Better yet - Lord help me show my children that I'm available not only to them but to You. In Jesus name, Amen.

**John 14:26-27 - "I'm telling you these things while I'm still living with you. The Friend, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send at my request, will make everything plain to you. He will remind you of all the things I have told you.**

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