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One of our big obstacles in prayer is trusting that God may know more than we do and better than we do. Trust is big in any relationship. Until you get that figured out, prayer is going to always be tough. Today we continue with the next two attitudes in prayer as we follow the example of a biblical couple, Zachariah and Elizabeth, parents of John the Baptist.

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**4. Be willing to let God answer for His own purpose.**

*“To all those in Rome who are loved by God and called to be saints” (Romans 1:7, ESV).*

*“Always in my prayers, asking that somehow by God's will I may now at last succeed in coming to you” (Romans 1:10, ESV).*

*“So I am eager to preach the gospel to you also who are in Rome” (Romans 1:15, ESV).*

*“I make it my ambition to preach the gospel, not where Christ has already been named, lest I build on someone else's foundation” (Romans 15:20, ESV).*

*“I hope to see you in passing as I go to Spain, and to be helped on my journey there by you, once I have enjoyed your company for a while” (Romans 15:24, ESV).*

*“When we came into Rome, Paul was allowed to stay by himself, with the soldier who guarded him” (Acts 28:16, ESV).*