"BUT IF
NOT....!"

DIE FOR HIM. AND LIVE FOREVER...

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FAITH AND OBEDIENCE COME FIRST. THEN GOD ANSWERS PRAYER! HE STILL HAS THE SAME OLD FORMULA!

SEEK YE FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD AND HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS THEN...

ALL THESE THINGS SHALL BE ADDING TO YOU.

THE BLESSING? DON'T PRECEDE OBEDIENCE.

THIS BUSINESS OF HINGING YOUR FAITH ON THE ANSWER INSTEAD OF THE WORD IS LIKE A WORKS RELIGION.

FAITH WORKS ON BLIND OBEDIENCE...

BUT THAT'S NOT THE WAY FAITH WORKS: WITH FAITH BELIEVING IS SEEING!

...NO MATTER WHETHER YOU EVER GET THE ANSWER OR NOT!
YOU JUST CANNOT MAKE YOUR OBEDIENCE CONTINGENT ON YOUR TERMS AND THE WAY YOU THINK GOD OUGHT TO ANSWER.

AND PROVIDING EVERYTHING GOES ALL RIGHT... YOU HAVE TO KEEP ON SERVING THE LORD EVEN WHEN EVERYTHING GOES ALL WRONG!

GOD WANTS TO TEST YOUR FAITH AND WILLINGNESS TO OBEY BEFORE HE'S GOING TO HEAL YOU, AND HE WANTS TO SEE IF YOU'LL BELIEVE AND OBEY HIM EVEN IF YOU THINK YOU MAY NEVER GET HEALED!

GOD TESTS OUR FAITH TO SEE IF IT'S REAL GOLD. FAITH AND WE'LL STILL BELIEVE...

AND OBEY HIM NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS!

HE SAYS, THAT THE TRYING OF YOUR FAITH IS MORE PRECIOUS THAN GOLD!
"Yea, he says, 'than much fine gold!' 'You'll find that real gold - no matter how hot the fire or how long the fire, how hot the test or how long it lasts - will still come out gold - even finer gold. That's the exact difference between real faith and supposed faith: real faith can stand the test...."

"The testing of it!"

"And still come out better than ever before, like real gold."

"And go through the fire..."

"If you've got real faith you'll keep on going for God even if it kills you!"

"And it will kill you, because it means death to self and pride and all that damned self-righteousness. As you die daily, if you go back, you'll make God sick!

"But if you go on even if you're sick, you'll make God happy in the end, even if it means your earthly end!"

"God doesn't judge you by how much you give. He judges you by how much you've got left, and he doesn't even judge you by how much you claim to have, but by how much you have when he gets through with you?"
I hope you'll be a martyr, because that's what the word means: a witness! - And what greater witness can you give than to both live and die for Jesus?

Godd bless and keep you! But if he doesn't - but if not! - die for him and he'll keep you forever!

-We love you. Come and see us! -Have faith in Jesus!

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