

Do You Pray Before You Take a Test?

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Many students think that if they pray to God to help them to pass their test, that they will definitely pass this test. I think that there is nothing wrong in praying, but prayer won't help a student if the student didn't help himself.

I believe that God helps people who help themselves. So if I didn't help myself by studying, God will not help me. To tell you the truth, sometimes, even if I know that it won't help me, I still pray to God to help me to do well. This usually happens only when I am not prepared and when I don't know the material.

And when this happens, of course I do not get a good grade.

Unfortunately, many students, including myself, pray to God before they take* a test because prayer affords them their only chance – and hope - that they will do well on the test.

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