

*I have a bad habit of praying and asking God for help with things and then when my prayers are answered I automatically start thinking maybe it was just coincidence or I just got lucky or maybe it was going to happen anyway and it might not have been God. I feel very guilty about this.*

The Lord may arrange to test his followers (Ge 22:1-19, Lk 10:31-35). All good things come from above (Jas 1:17); so, whether good things happen coincidentally (Lk 10:31) or by God's providence (Jb 11:7-9), one can be thankful (Eph 1:16) remembering him (Ps 37:1-40, 139:10) in good times (1 Chr 29:11, Pr 3:6) and bad (Jb 1:21; Ps 119:75).

Love (1 Jn 4:18) not guilt results from praying and praising him regardless of how or why things occurred as they did (Jb 11:7-9, Ac 17:22). The apostle Paul wrote, "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you (1 Th 5:16-18)."