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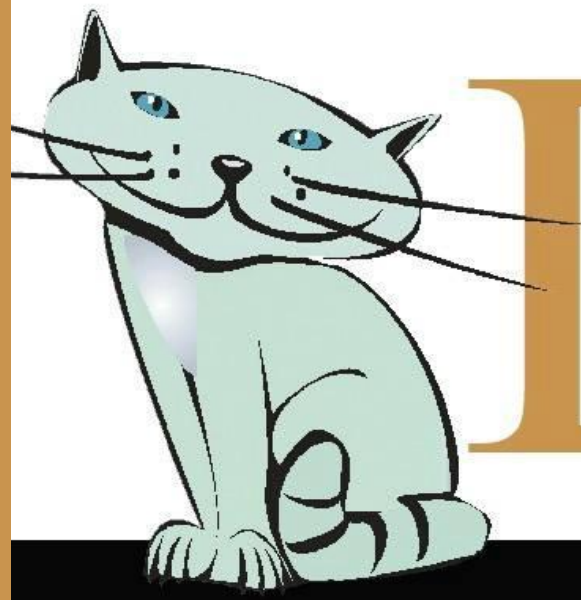

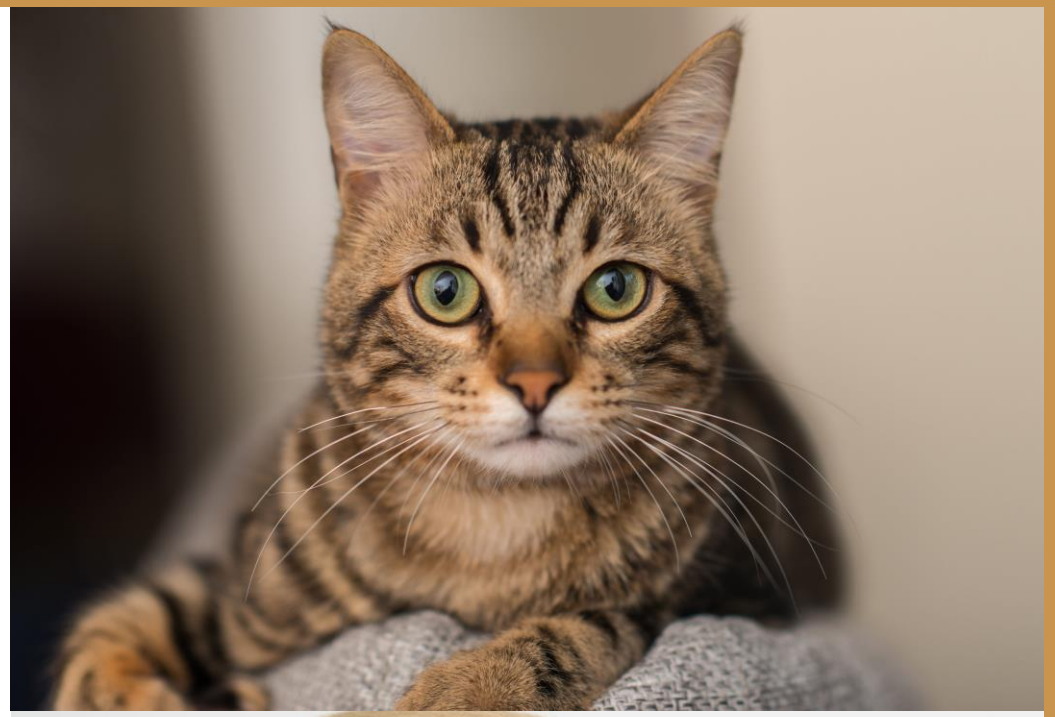

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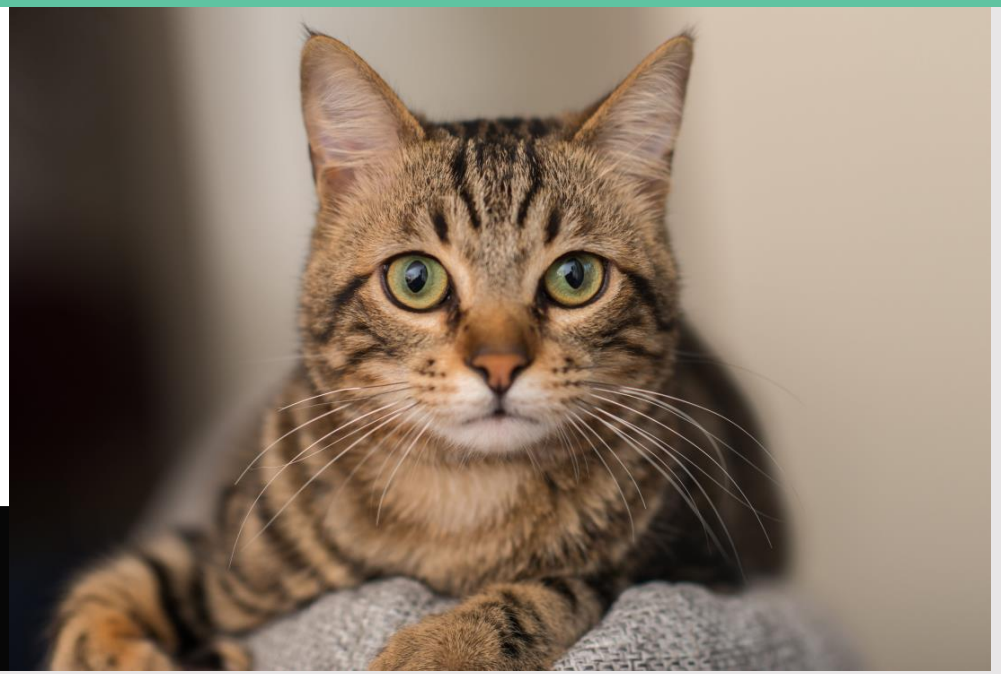

A cat says, “You pet me, you feed me, you shelter me, you love me, I must be God”

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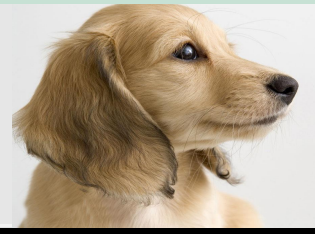

Cats act as though God exists to meet their needs, but dogs exist to bring glory to God.

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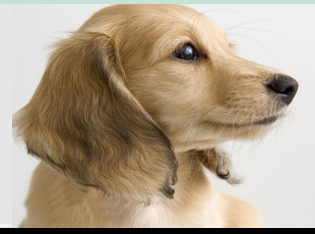

It’s not incorrect. It’s just incomplete.

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- How do you feel about waiting?
- Give examples

INTERACT- Join the chat!

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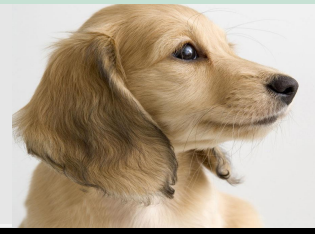

Sometimes God answers immediately!

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Then he said, "O Lord God of my master Abraham, please give me success this day, and show kindness to my master Abraham. Behold, here I stand by the well of water, and the daughters of the men of the city are coming out to draw water.

Now let it be that the young woman to whom I say, 'Please let down your pitcher that I may drink,' and she says, 'Drink, and I will also give your camels a drink'--let her be the one You have appointed for Your servant Isaac. And by this I will know that You have shown kindness to my master."

And it happened, before he had finished speaking, that behold, Rebekah, who was born to Bethuel, son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, came out with her pitcher on her shoulder. Now the young woman was very beautiful to behold, a virgin; no man had known her. And she went down to the well, filled her pitcher, and came up.

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And the servant ran to meet her and said, "Please let me drink a little water from your pitcher." So she said, "Drink, my lord." Then she quickly let her pitcher down to her hand, and gave him a drink. 19 And when she had finished giving him a drink, she said, "I will draw water for your camels also, until they have finished drinking."

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Peter was therefore kept in prison, but constant prayer was offered to God for him by the church. Now behold, an angel of the Lord stood by him, and a light shone in the prison; and he struck Peter on the side and raised him up, saying, "Arise quickly!" And his chains fell off his hands.

Acts 12:5, 9-10

Then the angel said to him, "Gird yourself and tie on your sandals"; and so he did. And he said to him, "Put on your garment and follow me." So he went out and followed him, and did not know that what was done by the angel was real, but thought he was seeing a vision.

Acts 12:5, 9-10

When they were past the first and the second guard posts, they came to the iron gate that leads to the city, which opened to them of its own accord; and they went out and went down one street, and immediately the angel departed from him.

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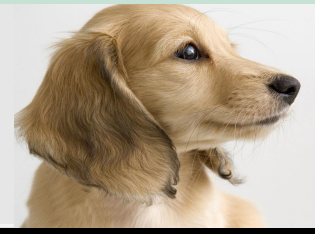

Sometimes God answers immediately

Sometimes God tells us no

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- What is one of the hardest things for you about praying?
- Have you ever felt like God was just ignoring you?

INTERACT- Join the chat!

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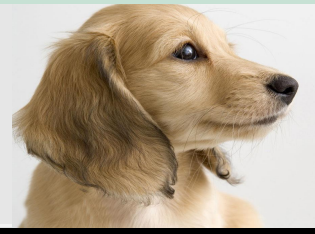

Sometimes God answers immediately
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Sometimes God tells us to wait

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- God wants a relationship with you, not just recognition from you

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He led me to a place of safety; he rescued me because he delights in me.

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The Lord your God in your midst, The Mighty One, will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness, He will quiet you with His love, He will rejoice over you with singing."

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O LORD, you have examined my heart
and know everything about me…
How precious are your thoughts about
me, O God. They cannot be numbered!

Psalm 139:1,17

God showed how much he loved us by sending his one and only Son into the world so that we might have eternal life through him.

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This is real love—not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins. We know how much God loves us, and we have put our trust in his love.

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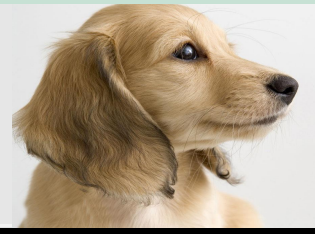

When you love someone, you want to spend time with them

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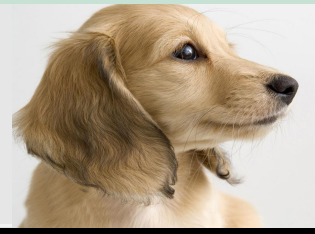

Cats enjoy God doing things for them.

Dogs enjoy God spending time with them.

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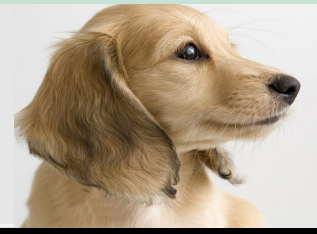

Cats want God's presents more than His presence.

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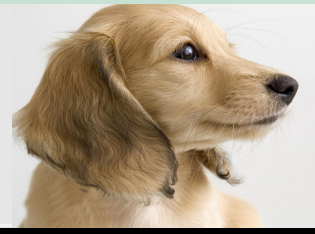

The cost of sin is death

Rom 6:23

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Because God's children are human beings—made of flesh and blood—the Son also became flesh and blood. For only as a human being could he die, and only by dying could he break the power of the devil, who had the power of death.

Hebrews 2:14,15 NLT

Only in this way could he set free all who have lived their lives as slaves to the fear of dying.

Hebrews 2:14,15 NLT

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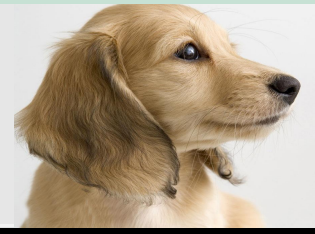

Jesus came to make it possible for us to talk to God

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Now all of us can come to the Father through the same Holy Spirit because of what Christ has done for us.

Ephesians 2:18 NLT

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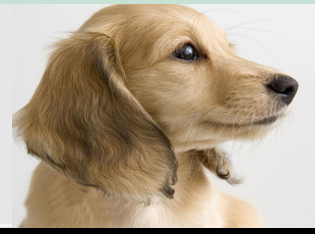

God in your life changes EVERYTHING, and you will never really experience that until you spend time with Him.

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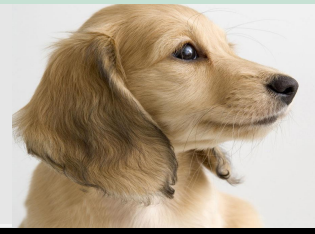

God is far more interested in our getting to know the deliverer, than simply being delivered.

Beth Moore

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- God wants a relationship with you

❖ God might want us to learn deep lessons, which take time to learn

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Dear brothers and sisters, when troubles of any kind come your way, consider it an opportunity for great joy.

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For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow. So let it grow, for when your endurance is fully developed, you will be perfect and complete, needing nothing.

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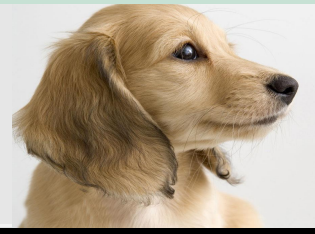

Dogs realize that God sometimes wants to do things in us before He does things for us.

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- God wants a relationship with you
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❖ God may be waiting for us to pray humbly

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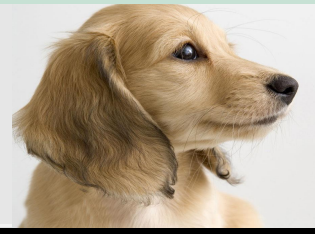

God is more concerned with your character than your comfort

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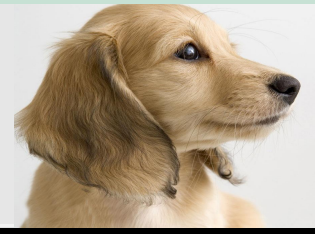

Humility releases God to work in your life

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Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up.

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Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.

The prophet Shemaiah then met with Rehoboam and Judah's leaders, who had all fled to Jerusalem because of Shishak. Shemaiah told them, "This is what the LORD says: You have abandoned me, so I am abandoning you to Shishak."

Then the leaders of Israel and the king humbled themselves and said, “The LORD is right in doing this to us!”

When the LORD saw their change of heart, he gave this message to Shemaiah: "Since the people have humbled themselves, I will not completely destroy them and will soon give them some relief...

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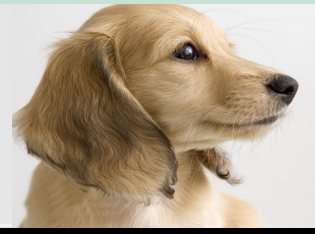

Humility is acknowledging that you need Jesus.

Do you live like you need Jesus?

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- God wants a relationship with you
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❖ It may be the right request, but the wrong time

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And behold, the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "This one shall not be your heir, but one who will come from your own body shall be your heir."

Then He brought him outside and said, "Look now toward heaven, and count the stars if you are able to number them." And He said to him, "So shall your descendants be."

And he believed in the Lord, and He accounted it to him for righteousness.

Then He said to him, "I am the Lord, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to inherit it." And he said, "Lord God, how shall I know that I will inherit it?"

And also the nation whom they serve I will judge; afterward they shall come out with great possessions. Now as for you, you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried at a good old age.

But in the fourth generation they shall return here, for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet complete."

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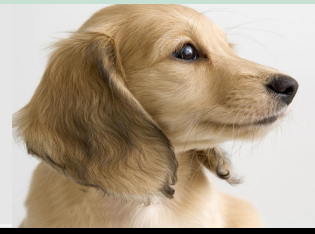

We often pray as though God's answers will only affect us

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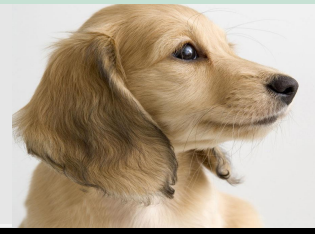

Dogs trust God to see the big picture, and to use them and their situations in whatever way is needed to bring honor and glory to Him!

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- God wants a relationship
- God might want us to learn
- God may be waiting for humility
- It may be a timing issue

❖ God my want us to learn to be persistent

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“There was a judge in a certain city,” he said, “who neither feared God nor cared about people. A widow of that city came to him repeatedly, saying, ‘Give me justice in this dispute with my enemy.’

The judge ignored her for a while, but finally he said to himself, ‘I don’t fear God or care about people, but this woman is driving me crazy. I’m going to see that she gets justice, because she is wearing me out with her constant requests!’”

Luke 18:2-7

Then the Lord said, “Learn a lesson from this unjust judge. Even he rendered a just decision in the end. So don’t you think God will surely give justice to his chosen people who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off?

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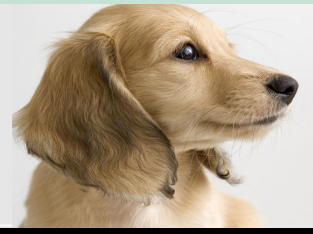

Don’t give up!

Be persistent.

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I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.

Ezekiel 36:26-27

I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them.

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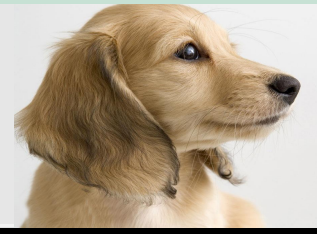

Cause-me prayers communicate to God, "Lord, I want to be 100% dependent on you to work in me, and through me, so that the work done in my life will last forever and you will get the glory"

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- God wants a relationship
- God might want us to learn
- God may be waiting for humility
- It may be a timing issue
- God wants persistence

❖ There may be spiritual warfare taking place

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When this vision came to me, I, Daniel, had been in mourning for three whole weeks. All that time I had eaten no rich food. No meat or wine crossed my lips, and I used no fragrant lotions until those three weeks had passed.

On April 23, as I was standing on the bank of the great Tigris River, I looked up and saw a man dressed in linen clothing, with a belt of pure gold around his waist.

His body looked like a precious gem. His face flashed like lightning, and his eyes flamed like torches. His arms and feet shone like polished bronze, and his voice roared like a vast multitude of people.

Only I, Daniel, saw this vision. The men with me saw nothing, but they were suddenly terrified and ran away to hide. So I was left there all alone to see this amazing vision. My strength left me, my face grew deathly pale, and I felt very weak.

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Then I heard the man speak, and when I heard the sound of his voice, I fainted and lay there with my face to the ground. Just then a hand touched me and lifted me, still trembling, to my hands and knees.

And the man said to me, “Daniel, you are very precious to God, so listen carefully to what I have to say to you. Stand up, for I have been sent to you.” When he said this to me, I stood up, still trembling.

Then he said, “Don’t be afraid, Daniel. Since the first day you began to pray for understanding and to humble yourself before your God, your request has been heard in heaven. I have come in answer to your prayer.

But for twenty-one days the spirit prince of the kingdom of Persia blocked my way. Then Michael, one of the archangels, came to help me, and I left him there with the spirit prince of the kingdom of Persia.

- God wants a relationship
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- God wants persistence
- Possible spiritual warfare

❖ Praise given to God while waiting brings glory to God

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If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God whom we serve is able to save us. He will rescue us from your power, Your Majesty. But even if he doesn't, we want to make it clear to you, Your Majesty, that we will never serve your gods or worship the gold statue you have set up."

Daniel 3 NLT

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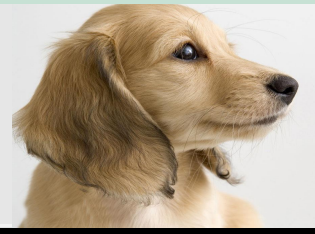

Cats praise God after God answers their prayer.

Dogs praise God before God answers… and even if He doesn't.

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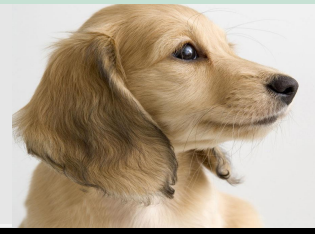

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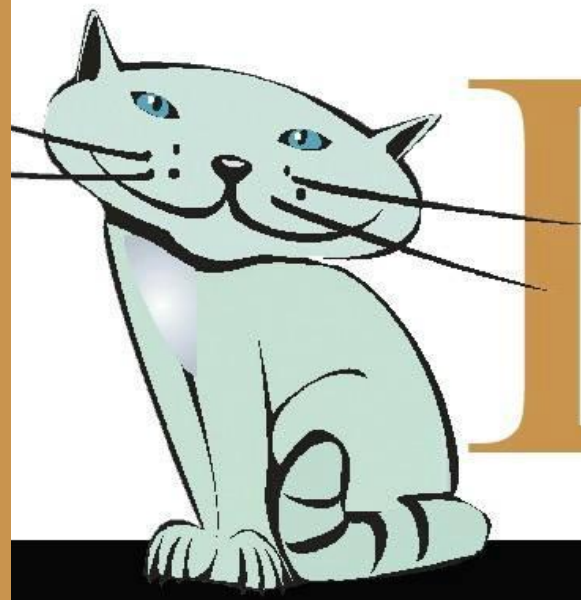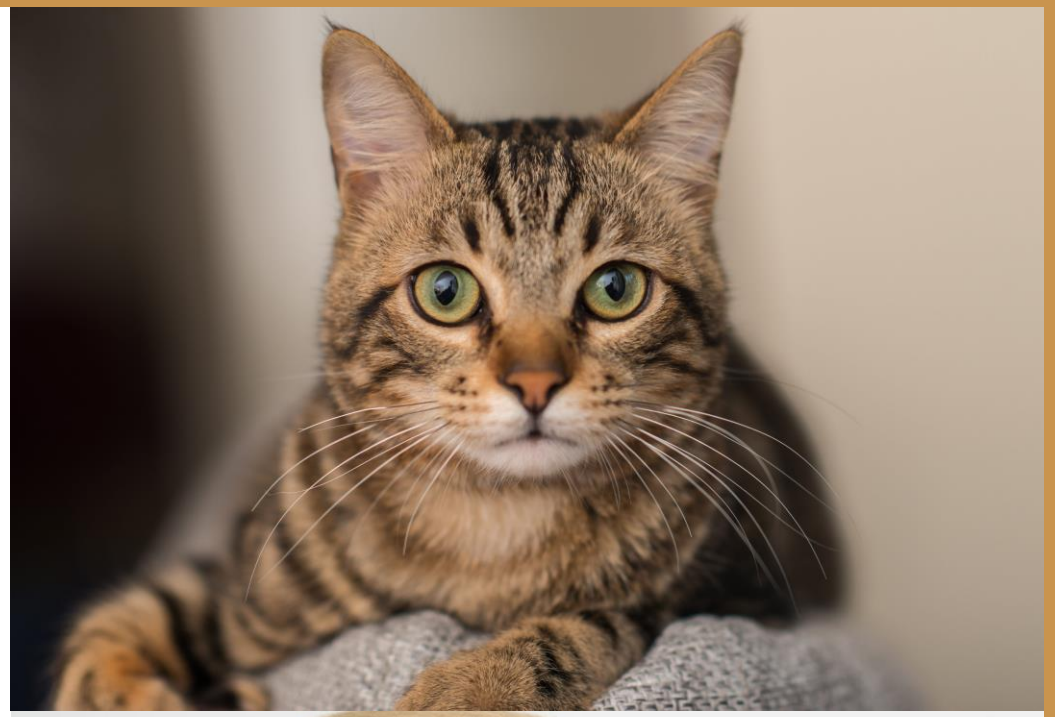
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