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*I asked God to take away my habit
God said no...it is for you to give up.*

*I asked God to heal my handicapped child
God said no...his spirit whole, his body is only temporary.*

*I asked God to give me patience
God said no...patience is a byproduct of tribulation. It is not granted but learned.*

*I asked God to give me happiness
God said no...I give you blessings and happiness is up to you.*

*I asked God to spare me pain
God said no...suffering draws you away from worldly cares and closer to me.*

*I asked God to make my spirit grow
God said no...you must grow on your own, but I will prune you to make you more fruitful.*

*I asked God for all things that I may enjoy life
God said no...I will give you life that you may enjoy all things.*

*I asked God to help me love others as much as He loved me
God said...Ahhh, you finally get the idea!*