The 1949 Rocket 88

Prayer

After sending them home, he (Jesus) went up into the hills by himself to pray. Night fell while he was there alone. Matthew 14:23

And this is the confidence that we have in him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him. 1 John 5:14–15





Every time Jesus faced a crisis, he prayed. It was <u>his first option, his plan A</u>. In the midst of storms, if Jesus had let fear control him, he would not have been able to fulfil his father's plan (OUR SALVATION). <u>God also has a plan for you</u>, pray for it, fight for it.

The Rocket 88 (Not your father's Oldsmobile)

 Nothing special to look at (appearance wise; Chevy and Pontiac used the same body shell)

- What made this car different was under the hood
 - It featured the first <u>V-8</u>, and a revolutionary HYDRA-MATIC (automatic) transmission
 - 135 hp powerplant combined with a self-shifting feature made this car a <u>fire breathing monster</u>
- That year the 88 won half of all NASCAR races
- This car launched the MUSCLE CAR WARS
 - Power, Freedom and FUN
- In 1951, Ike Turner (yep, Tina's guy) wrote ROCKET 88. In many ways the song also crossed the Color Line
 - Sometimes God uses our faith to accomplish what we never planned

<u>The Zip Tie:</u>

Your faith is powerful. But you got to feed it. 1 Corinthians 10 says there are no temptations out there that are unique to just you. You may be a Ford, Chevy or Toyota, what makes you different is your Fire Beathing FAITH within you. Like Jesus, you got to pray. Just like Ike, you got to praise. Finally you got to trust the promise of 1 John 5 and know that God answers YOUR prayers.



