

AND GOD SAID..... "NO"

I asked God to take away my pride. And God said "No".
He said it was not for Him to take away, but for me to give it up.

I asked God to make our handicapped children whole. And God said "No".
He said their spirit was whole, their body was only temporary.

I asked God to grant me patience. And God said "No".
He said patience is a by-product of tribulations. It isn't granted, it is earned.

I asked God to give me happiness. And God said "No".
He said he gives me blessings, happiness is up to me.

I asked God to spare me pain. And God said "No".
He said suffering draws you apart from worldly cares and brings you closer to me.

I asked God to make my spirit grow. And God said "No".
He said I must grow on my own. But he will prune me to make me fruitful.

I asked for all things that I might enjoy life. And God said "No".
He said I will give you life, that you may enjoy all things.

I asked God to help me LOVE others, as much as he loves me.
And God said, "Ah, finally you have the idea."