



It's Time To **PERSIST** In Prayer!

- ✧ Today is a National Day of Prayer ~ Let's Pray!
- ✧ 2 Chronicles 7:12-18 ~ God's Message to Solomon

➤ It's Time We Give Ourselves To This Precious Privilege & Responsibility of **PERSISTENT PRAYER!**



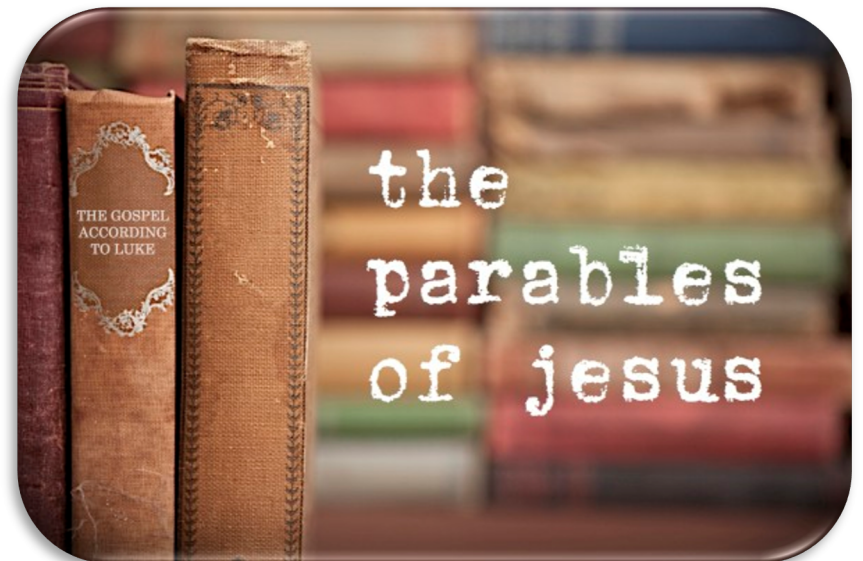
✧ **MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS TO...**

- Set Time Aside Today** ~ To pray on this National Day of Prayer!
- Establish A Set Prayer Time** ~ For each day of the week so I can talk to God!
- Create A Prayer List** ~ Something that I can persistently go to God about!
- Practice the Art of Persistency** ~ Ask, Seek, Knock and do it relentlessly!
- Make a Faith Decision** ~ Prayerfully place my **faith** in Jesus Christ, God's Son, by **recognizing Him** as my personal **Lord** and **Savior** and by asking and receiving the forgiveness of my sins.

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MESSAGE GUIDE

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Message Talk Sheet

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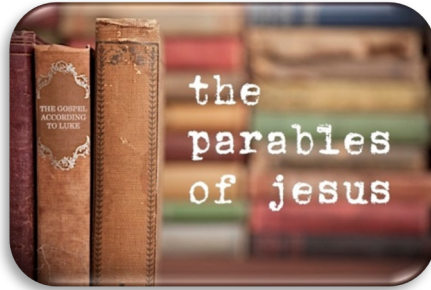
SERIES: The Parables of Jesus

Today's Message:

Parables Regarding
Spiritual Responsibilities

"The Parable of the Persistent Friend
At Midnight & The Good Father"

Text: Luke 11:1-13



The Parables of Jesus

"The Parable of the Persistent Friend At Midnight & The Good Father"



Learning To Pray

✘ Prayer is Beautiful. Powerful. A Privilege like no other.

Luke 11 ~ The Disciples Were Watching & Listening To JESUS Pray In A Certain Place.

- ✘ Jesus was accustomed to praying often, in different places and at various times.
- ✘ v.1 ~ Now it came to pass, as He was praying in a certain place, when He ceased, that one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples."
- ✘ vv.2-4 ~ ² So He said to them, "When you pray, say: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. ³ Give us day by day our daily bread. ⁴ And forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who is indebted to us. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one."

Message Talk Sheet (Continued...)

1. Jesus First Speaks of A Man In CRISIS.

- ✘ Mark 16:17-18 ~ These signs will follow them who believe...
- ✘ vv.5-7 ~ The crisis was the burden of HOSPITALITY.
- ✘ v.8 ~ Jesus gives us the principle of the parable:
"I say to you, though he will not rise and give to him because he is his friend, yet because of his **persistence** he will rise and give him as many as he needs."

2. Jesus Next Speaks of the CHILDREN of God.

- ✘ vv.9-10 ~ ⁹ "So I say to you, **ask**, and it will be given to you; **seek**, and you will find; **knock**, and it will be opened to you. ¹⁰ For everyone who **asks** receives, and he who **seeks** finds, and to him who **knocks** it will be opened."



✘ God is waiting... searching... listening...

3. Jesus Closes His Teaching Speaking of The Good FATHER.

- ✘ vv.11-13 ~ Jesus speaks of the friendship of God.

¹ If a son asks for bread from any father among you, will he give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent instead of a fish? ¹² Or if he asks for an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, being evil know how to give good gifts to your children, **how much more will your**

heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!"



- ✘ Matthew 7:7-11 ~ Ask, SEEK, Knock!