

Persistence

Jesus: Ruler of My Personality – Part 5

Luke 18:1-8

As we continue our series “Jesus: Ruler of My Personality” we learn there are certain character traits, certain qualities of our personality, that Jesus wants us to cultivate. Today we will look at the attribute of persistence. While persistence can be annoying or can even have a reverse effect, Jesus tells a story to his disciples to teach them where persistence is truly needed. He focuses on persistence in prayer.

I. A **parable** on **persistence**.

A. The purpose of the parable was to give a spiritual **challenge** to persistent in our **prayers** to God.

B. The characters in the parable include:

1. A **persistent widow**
2. A **calloused judge**
3. A **merciful god**
4. A **faithful people**

II. A **pattern** for **praying**.

- A. Pray **specifically**
- B. Pray **confidently**
- C. Pray **persistently**
- D. Pray **continuously**
- E. Pray **humbly**