

THESURPRISING BEGGAR'S LIFE

MATTHEW 7:7-14



All you great men of power, you who boast of your feats
Politicians and entrepreneurs
Can you safeguard your breath in the night while you sleep?
Keep your heart beating steady and sure?
As you lie in your bed does the thought haunt your head
That you're really rather small?

If there's one thing I know in this life, we are beggars all.

THRICE - "BEGGARS"





MATTHEW 7:7-14

"Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. Or which one of you, if his son asks him for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a serpent?"

MATTHEW 7:7-14 (cont.)

"If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him! So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets."



MATTHEW 7:7-14 (cont.)

"Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few."







1. The Beggar's Need



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THE BEGGAR'S NEED



MERCY IS NOT GETTING WHAT YOU DESERVE



MATHEW 7:7

"Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you."



"The most fatal thing in the Christian life is to be content with passing desires. If we really want to be men of God, if we really want to know him, and walk with him, and experience those boundless blessings which he has to offer us, we must persist in asking him for them day by day. We have to feel this hunger and thirst after righteousness, and then we shall be filled. And that does not mean that we are filled once and forever. We go on hungering and thirsting."





MATTHEW 7:8-10

"For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. Or which one of you, if his son asks him for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a serpent?"



LUKE 18:1-8

"And he told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, 'Give me justice against my adversary.'"



LUKE 18:1-8 (cont.)

"For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, 'Though I neither fear God nor respect man, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming.' And the Lord said, 'Hear what the unrighteous judge says.'"



LUKE 18:1-8 (cont.)

"And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"





THE BEGGAR'S RICHES



MATTHEW 7:11

"If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him!"



GRACE IS GETTING WHAT WE DO NOT DESERVE





"Lay hold of that! Take a firm grasp of that! Whatever may happen to you, God is your Father!"

MARTYN LLOYD-JONES



THE BEGGAR'S RULE



MATTHEW 7:12

"So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets."



THE TWO GREAT COMMANDMENTS

1. To love the Lord their God with all their heart and with all their soul and with all their mind



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1. To love the Lord their God with all their heart and with all their soul and with all their mind

2. To love their neighbor as themselves



THE BEGGAR'S WAY



MATTHEW 7:13-14

"Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few."





PSALM 23:4-6

"Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever."





