

(Luke 11:1-13) It happened that while Jesus was praying in a certain place, when He had finished, one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, **teach us to pray**,

--- Wrong theologies of prayer ---

1. Deistic understanding – God is _____.
2. Therapeutic understanding – Prayer is for _____.
3. Prosperity understanding – Prayer brings _____ gain.

--- Jesus' understanding of prayer ---

1. The reluctant friend is not a picture of God – he is a _____ to God.

(Matthew 6:7-8) And when you are praying, do not use thoughtless repetition as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard because of their many words. So do not be like them; for your Father knows what you need before you ask Him.

2. Persistent prayer is not about convincing God – it's about _____ with God.

(Matthew 26:39) And He went a little beyond them, and fell on His face and prayed, saying, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; yet not as I will, but as You will."

(v44) And He left them again, and went away and prayed a third time, saying the same thing once more.

3. Prayer is not about getting what we want from God – it's about growing in our _____ of God.

(John 15:7) If you remain in Me, and My words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

--- A.S.K. God ---

"ASK"

Jesus gives us _____ to the Father in prayer—
something unthinkable apart from
His atoning work under the New Covenant.

(John 16:23-24) Truly, truly I say to you, if you ask the Father for anything in My name, He will give it to you. Until now you have asked for nothing in My name; ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be made full.

"SEEK"

Seeking God means treasuring Him above all else—
His kingdom, His righteousness, and _____—
because He first sought us.

(Luke 19:10) For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.

"KNOCK"

Knocking isn't about earning entry—
it's about _____ as the only door.
Through Him, we are received, protected, and nourished.

(John 10:7-9) So Jesus said to them again, "Truly, truly I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. All those who came before Me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the door; if anyone enters through Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came so that they would have life, and have it abundantly.

- ✓ Pray for His _____.
- ✓ Pray for His _____.
- ✓ Pray for His _____.