

Luke 11:1-13

**HE GIVES GOOD GIFTS**

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RULES vs. RELATIONSHIP

GREAT QUESTIONS

**HOW WE PRAY**

JESUS TOO

Luke 11:1-4 - <sup>1</sup>Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." <sup>2</sup>And he said to them, "When you pray, (say) "Father, hallowed be your name. <sup>3</sup>Your kingdom come. <sup>4</sup>Give us each day our daily bread, <sup>5</sup>and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us. <sup>6</sup>And lead us not into temptation."

- ① WHO ARE WE PRAYING TO?      ③ SIFT NEEDS
- ② WHAT ARE WE PRAYING FOR?      ④ REPENTANCE FIRST
- ⑤ HELP US WITH TEMPTATION

FAMILY

**OUR OPEN INVITATION**

YOU WANT TO KNOW HOW TO PRAY? THINK THIS WAY...

**POSTURE DETERMINES CULTURE**

Luke 11:5-10 - <sup>5</sup>And he said to them, "Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves, <sup>6</sup>for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him'; <sup>7</sup>and he will answer from within, 'Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything'? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. <sup>9</sup>And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. <sup>10</sup>For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened."

BAD HOST  
 NOT JUST PRES.  
 "LACK OF SENSIT.  
 FOR WHAT IS PROPER."

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ASK	GIVEN	RECEIVES
SEEK	FIND	FINDS
KNOCK	ANSWERED	OPENS

- WE DON'T ALWAYS KNOW WHAT TO ASK FOR
- GOD IS NOT A GENIE, BUT HE REWARDS US WHEN WE PRESS IN.
- IN PARABLE, ASKING FOR SOMETHING TO SAVE.

**OUR EAGER FATHER**

Luke 11:11-12 - <sup>11</sup>"What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; <sup>12</sup>or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion?"

NOT JUST RIDICULOUS HYPERBOLE,  
 JUST. GIFT vs. HAZARD.

SOMETIMES WE APPROACH PRAYER THIS WAY.

"GOD ONLY HAS SERPENTS, SCORPIONS, OR SILENCE!"  
THEM + NOW

THIS KEPT ME FROM PRAYING FOR SO LONG.

THERE ARE SEASONS WHERE WE WRISTLE, BUT DON'T MISTAKE WHO GIVES WHAT GIFTS.

**OUR PRESENT GIFT**

Luke 11:13 - <sup>13</sup>"If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

ARE WE BETTER GIVERS THAN GOD?  
 ARE WE MORE GENEROUS?

THE HOLY SPIRIT IS TRULY THE GREATEST GIFT. JESUS THINKS SO.

EITHER GOD IS WRONG, OR WE HAVE BARELY OPENED, PRESSED INTO SILENCE, RECEIVED THIS GIFT.

PRAYER ↑ FAITH, FAITH ↑ PRAYER  
 WE MUST START SOMEWHERE.

LET'S START W/ FAITHFULNESS TO THE SMALL THINGS JESUS TAUGHT US TO DO.  
 - INDIV. + TOGETHER.

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