

Does God Answer Your Prayers?

Luke 11:1-13

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When is the last time God _____ one of your prayers?
What keeps you from praying _____? Do you think God doesn't
_____ about you or your situation? Are you so busy that you
just don't have _____ to pray? Do you have trouble knowing
what to _____ in your prayers? The power of prayer lies more in
what we _____ than in what we _____! Prayer is more
than a _____ to be followed.

A. The Need to Pray

1. The _____ to pray
 - a. It was _____ of the pious.
 - b. _____ taught his disciples.
 - c. The request was not about the _____ of
prayer, but the _____ of prayer.
2. The _____ of Jesus
 - a. The disciples saw someone who could, and _____, pray.
 - b. He had an _____ relationship with the Father.
 - c. His whole life was lived in the _____ of prayer.

B. The Spirit of Prayer (_____ of the heart)

It implies some conditions:

1. _____ with the Father (John 1:12; Romans 8:15)
2. _____ – Hallowed (set apart from the world)
3. Subjection – Thy kingdom come (entire _____
to the will of God, Romans 14:17)

4. _____ – Thy will be done (a willingness to do
His will)

5. Brotherly love – _____ (Ephesians 4:32)

C. Illustrations – showing distinct _____

1. The request _____ a friend, _____ a friend, _____ a friend
 - a. Midnight hour
 - b. He objected to being _____ and bothered.
 - c. He gave the bread to get _____ of his friend.
2. The request from a _____ to the father
 - a. Common and _____ things – bread, fish, and eggs
 - b. A father does not _____ his child's request.
 - c. Gives what is needed, never the _____
3. The _____
 - a. Father implies relationship, _____ than just a friend
who doesn't want to be bothered
 - b. There is no need to _____ hammering at the door.
 - c. The instruction is _____ about importunity.
 - d. God always _____ on the basis of His Fatherhood
and upon His love.
 - e. God understands our needs and will _____ give us
something bad when we ask for something good.