

To Sum it All Up: Ask, Seek, and Knock
Matthew 7:7

Opening Discussion:

1. Does God answer prayer? How do we know He answers prayer?
2. Does God always say yes? Why would He say no?
3. What does it look like to pursue God's Kingdom and what He wants to give us?
4. When have you witnessed a specific answer to prayer?

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Explore the Passage

1. Ask and it will be given to you.

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.' 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. And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night.

Luke 18:1-7

You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.

James 4:2-3

2. Seek and you will find.

Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

Matthew 6:33

3. Knock and it will be opened to you.

4. You, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children.

5. Your Father will give good things to those who ask Him.

Fill in the Blank Answers:

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1. ask, given
2. seek, find
3. knock, open
4. evil, good
5. good, ask