

Keep Asking Your Heavenly Father

Luke 11: 1-13

#1 Parables of Jesus

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“⁵Then He said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and goes to him at midnight and says to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves; ⁶for a friend of mine has come to me from a journey, and I have nothing to set before him’; ⁷and from inside he answers and says, ‘Do not bother me; the door has already been shut and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.’ ⁸I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his **persistence** he will get up and give him as much as he needs” (Luke 11:5-8).

REFLECTION AND APPLICATION QUESTIONS

Monday: Read Luke 11:1-13 and identify the key words, themes, and sections of the passage. Summarize your findings in one sentence and make a specific application to your life.

Tuesday: Read Luke 11:1-13. How does the Lord’s prayer before the parable (11:1-4) and the commands of Jesus after the parable (11:9-13) shape your understanding of the parable?

Wednesday: Read Luke 11:1-13 and note all it says about God the Father. How does the contrast between the man who did not want to be bothered and God the Father influence how you pray?

Thursday: Read Luke 11:5-8 and keep in mind there was no electricity, no hotels, no grocery stores, and only small home-based hospitality for travelers. Remember hospitality was a sacred duty. How does this shape your interpretation of the parable?

Friday: Read Luke 11:9-13 and ponder how being a secure child of God in Christ should impact how and when we pray. How does knowing Jesus shape your view of God the Father’s goodness?

Saturday: Read 1 Peter 2 and bring a friend with you to Sunday services – our focus will be partnership in outreach.