

Teach Us to Pray

Luke 11:1-13

1) “teach us to pray”

Jesus Prayer Life (vs Public Ministry)

often (Lk 5:16), early (Mk 1:35), after ministry (Mk 6:46), all night (Lk 6:12)

Response: Model & Attitude

2-4) Model Prayer

Focus: Holy Heavenly Father - higher thoughts and ways (Isa 55:9)

ex: Bethel Healing Room

avoid beginning prayer focused on earthly problems (limitations)

Purpose: Apply His Kingdom Resources to our earthly problems

“Kingdom Come” - Bold, Forceful, Declarative

casting out demons (Lk 11:20), healing the sick (Lk 10:9)

(Mt 10:7-8) ⁷“And as you go, preach, saying, ‘The kingdom of heaven is at hand.’ ⁸“Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out demons.

Freely you have received, freely give.

Get Something from Heaven to earth

Provision: Physical & Spiritual (Holiness)

Jesus provides Righteousness (2 Cor 5:21), Freedom from bondage (Jn 8:31-36)

Jesus requires that we pay Forgiveness forward

5-13) Attitude in Prayer

Parable (5-8): Persistence = Shamelessness, Audacity, Boldness (Heb 4:16)

not bold speech (show), bold confidence toward God

Exhortation (9-13): Ask, Seek, Knock

Persistent, Relentless Determination from Confidence in Father’s Love

He gives us Holy Spirit so we can Manifest His Kingdom

Promise of the Father (Jn 14:16-17, Lk 24:49, Acts 1:4, 2:33)

(Mt 11:12 NIV) From the days of John the Baptist until now, the kingdom of heaven has been forcefully advancing, and forceful men lay hold of it.

Jesus gave men Access to the Father’s Kingdom Resources as Sons/Daughters!

Persistent, Bold, Shamelessly Audacious Sons and Daughters of God are so Confident in the Father’s Love that they’re Relentlessly Determined to Manifest His Kingdom in the Earth!

Epiphany: The Church is Effective as Individuals Manifest His Kingdom.

Why is Persistence and Confidence so important to God? - next week