

Grown-Up Prayers
Part 6 – “In It to Win It”
May 26 & 29, 2022

Luke 11:1-4

One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.” He said to them, “When you pray, say: “Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who sins against us. And lead us not into temptation.””

Luke 11:5-6

Then he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and he goes to him at midnight and says, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, because a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have nothing to set before him.'

Luke 11:7

"Then the one inside answers, 'Don't bother me. The door is already locked, and my children are with me in bed. I can't get up and give you anything.'

Luke 11:8

I tell you, though he will not get up and give him the bread because he is his friend, yet because of the man's boldness he will get up and give him as much as he needs.

Luke 18:1-8

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared about men. And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.' "For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care about men, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually wear me out with her coming!'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

Persistent prayers from persistent pray-ers [honor](#) God.

Luke 11:9

"So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.

Luke 11:10

For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened.

What God-sized request are you boldly bringing to God?**Group Questions**

1. Do you think God finds your prayers bold?
2. Read Luke 11:5-10. Why do you think Jesus chose to teach this immediately after teaching the Lord's Prayer?
3. What impacted you from the parable Jesus told in Luke 18?
4. Do you have bold prayer to persistently pester God with?
5. What has been most helpful for you from this series?
6. Jason's sabbatical won't just be good for him and his family. What do you think the biggest benefits will be for Hope Church this summer?