



## Listening Guide

Sunday, August 6, 2017

Series: Teach Us To Pray

Yielding; Acknowledge that God Knows Best

Text: Luke 11:5-10, Psalm 73

*Luke 11:5-10* - And he said to them, "Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves,'<sup>6</sup> for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him';<sup>7</sup> and he will answer from within, 'Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything'?'<sup>8</sup> I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs.<sup>9</sup> And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.<sup>10</sup> For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened.

Praise

Repent

Ask

Yield

The point of the parable is not the \_\_\_\_\_, but the \_\_\_\_\_ of the one praying.

1. Remember the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

A.

B.

2. Consider the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

**A. Am I praying for the wrong thing?**

Yield – Lord, is this a dumb request? Teach me what to ask for.

**B. Do my prayers conflict?**

Yield – Lord, show me where my prayers conflict. Teach me your priorities.

**C. Is my prayer an instruction rather than a request?**

Yield – Lord, keep me focused on the end, rather than the means.

**D. Is my prayer in alignment with kingdom values?**

Yield – Lord, reveal to me the intentions of my heart.

**E. Am I trusting in God's timing?**

Yield – Lord, help me to trust in your timing.

3. Yielding (in this instance) does not mean quitting! Pray persistently!

Asking – persistence with \_\_\_\_\_

Seeking – persistence with \_\_\_\_\_

Knocking – persistence with \_\_\_\_\_



**Application Guide**  
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**Home Group Questions**

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Home groups meet weekly and will provide you an opportunity to review the message, and to apply it to your life personally. Also, thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the truths we are learning.

**Large Group**

1. Was there any passage of scripture or statement in the message today that was particularly meaningful or applicable to you?

**Small Group**

2. Read **Psalm 23:4-6**. Describe a few examples of the "goodness" and "mercy" (v.6) that "followed" you after being made to walk through a "dark valley" (v.3). How can remembering God's goodness in the past help you when His answers to your prayers seem to be slow in coming?
3. Read **2 Corinthians 12:7-10**. Can you remember a time when the answer "No" to one of your prayers turned out to actually be the answer "Yes" to a more profound and important prayer you had simultaneously been praying?
4. Read **James 4:1-4**. List a few of the wrongly motivated, selfish, or worldly prayers you have prayed over the years. James identifies those requests as "friendship with the world," and "enmity against God." According to verses 7 and 8, what are we to do when we realize our prayers are not in alignment with kingdom values?