

Pray more powerful prayers

Luke 11:5-13

1. Powerful prayer is v5-8

Seek ye first... Matthew 6:33

Persistence does not mean success.

Please, do not run into the brick walls.

I'm asking for the wrong outcome, ask for something

The length of our lives... Job 14:5

I'm asking with the wrong motive, return to the

I'm asking at the wrong time, ask for something

Answers are than we want. v8

The Lord is not slow. 2 Pet.3:8-9. ...receive what He promised. Heb.10:36

Answers are for what we really v8

2. Powerful prayer is v9-10

v9 Personal and private. v10 Personal and public.

Take the v9 "ask... seek... knock..."

Expect the v9 "will... will... will..."

3. Powerful prayer is v11-13

What to pray, v1-4. How to pray, v5-13.

Our Father gives us gifts. v13

Example of a good prayer, Colossians 1:9-12

Our Father gives us gifts. v13

Holy Spirit within me, "The fruit..." Galatians 5:22-23

Holy Spirit through me, "witness" Acts 1:8

Holy Spirit because of me, "convict of..." John 16:8

My prayer priorities for this week

Songs I'll be singing this week

Worthy of all praise | I walk by faith | My lighthouse | Somebody's miracle (item) | What a friend we have in Jesus | My hope is built on | Seek ye first

Thought starters for personal reflection or group discussion

1. What does the word 'perseverance' mean; and why is it a virtue? What is the difference between 'perseverance' and 'patience'?
2. Is it possible for perseverance to actually be foolish?
3. What is one occasion when you needed perseverance? Was it difficult, and was it worth it?
4. When may a Gantt Chart, used in Project Management, be a useful tool in prayer?
5. How does 2 Peter 3:8-9 and Hebrews 10:36 help me persevere?
6. How should I change my prayer if I am asking, a) for the wrong outcome; b) with the wrong motive; c) at the wrong time?

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