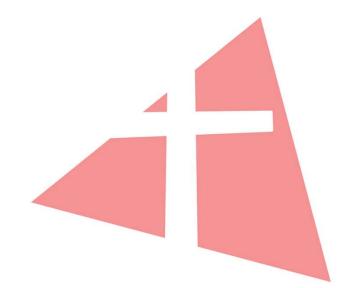
PRAYING FOR OURSELVES

May 31st 2020

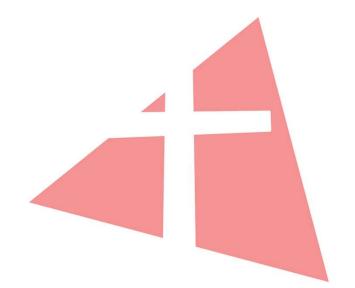
OUR SERIES

• Prayer is for God's Glory



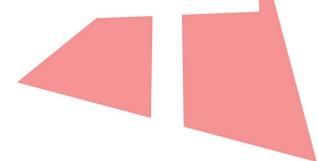
TODAY'S FOCUS

• Praying for ourselves



MERCY & GRACE

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OUR CONFIDENCE

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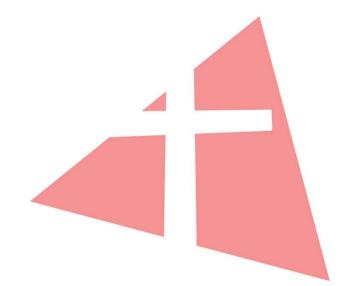
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JESUS' PARABLE

Luke 11:5-13 And he said unto them, Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say unto him, Friend, lend me three loaves; For a friend of mine in his journey has come to me, and I have nothing to set before him? And he from within shall answer and say, Trouble me not: the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give you. I say unto you, Though he will not rise and give to him, because he is his friend, yet because of his importunity he will rise and give him as many as he needs. And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. For every one that asks receives; and he that seeks finds; and to him that knocks it shall be opened. If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he asks for a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent? Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?

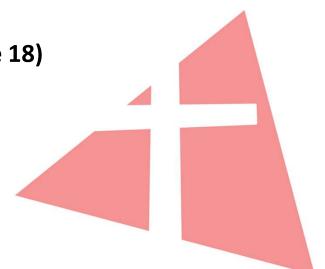
THE PARABLE

• Persistence



THE PARABLE

• This parable is similar to the parable of the unjust judge (Luke 18)



THE APPLICATION

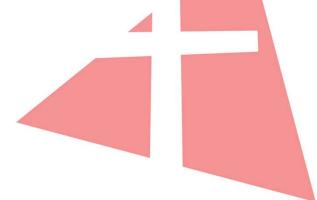
Luke 11:9 And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.

THE APPLICATION

Luke 11:10 For every one that asks receives; and he that seeks finds; and to him that knocks it shall be opened.

ASK, SEEK, KNOCK

Luke 11:11-12 If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he asks for a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent? Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion?



THE CONCLUSION

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WHAT IS THE GIFT?

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THE HOLY SPIRIT

• Spiritual needs

- Relationship with God
- Spiritual insights
- Forgiveness
- Healing
- Ability to pray
- Doing good/Overcoming temptations
- ...

PENTECOST

• Let's ask God to fill us with His Spirit

