

# THE GOSPEL

ACCORDING TO ST. LUKE

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Ask, Seek, Knock | Luke 11:9-10

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## S U M M A R Y

This past weekend we continued our exploration on Luke 11:1-13 and how Jesus responds to his disciples' request to teach them to pray. This week we saw how Jesus invites his disciples to ask, seek, and knock and how that responds to our reaching out to him. This invitation from Jesus is not about how we get what we want from God, but instead how we grow in our relationship with God, and experience life in the Spirit.

## R E A D

Luke 11:1-13

*Pause. Take time to prayerfully consider what has been read.*

## D I S C U S S

- 1) What is sticking out to you from the passage this week?
- 2) How have you understood this instruction of asking, seeking, and knocking from Jesus previously? Has it changed for you? How?
- 3) If the goal of prayer is relationship, how does that change your approach and feelings to both prayer and this passage?
- 4) What does Luke 11:9-10 tell us about the character of God and how he responds to people?
- 5) Think of the stories in the gospels: how do you see Jesus modelling asking, seeking, and knocking?

- 6) In light of the parable about the friend, we need to see asking, seeking, and knocking as not just a one-time event but instead continuous habit. Have you ever prayed for something for a long time? What was it, how did praying for it shape you?

## R E S P O N D

Matt talked about how sometimes we don't have the strength to keep going in prayer, and how in those times we need others to pray for us and with us. Is there something that you have grown tired of praying about? Would you consider telling the group about it and having them pray with you about it?

## P R A Y

Take time to pray for one another's needs and then consider praying this prayer together:

Spirit of the Living God will you come fall fresh on us.  
We desire the fullness of your filling, so we ask for you  
We recognize our dependence on you, so we seek for you  
We are in need of your healing, so we knock for you  
Would you come in power, filling us Holy Spirit with your gifts  
Would you come in Love, filling us with the love of the Father  
and overflowing it to those around us  
Would you come with self-control, growing your fruit in us,  
transforming us to be more like Jesus  
Spirit of the Living God will you come fall fresh on us.