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## Sermon on the Mount

Lesson Seventeen • Matthew 7:7-12

### Kingdom Praying for Kingdom Living

#### Kingdom Living Requires Kingdom **PRAYING!**

Coming to God as our Father in the name of His Son, King Jesus, by the power of His Spirit to talk about Kingdom concerns and receive Kingdom resources.

#### Kingdom Praying Is Caught and Taught by the King

Pray in an **AUTHENTIC** manner. (6:5-8)

Pray according to an **AUTHORITATIVE** model. (6:9-15)

Pray with an **AGGRESSIVE** motivation. (7:7-12)

#### Why Persevere in Kingdom Praying?

### 1. The **PLEASURE** of the Father. 7:7

The Father Loves When We Come to Him in Prayer and A.S.K.!  
**A ASKING + S SEEKING + K KNOCKING**

- Be **DILIGENT** in praying this way.
  - 1) **PRAY!**
  - 2) **PERSEVERE** in praying!
  - 3) **PASSIONATELY** persevere in praying!

- Be **PERSISTENT** in praying this way. (Luke 11:5-8)

*Persistence is not required due to God's reluctance!*

### 2. The **PROMISE** of the Father. 7:8

The Father Loves It When We "Pray Within the Promises!"  
The greatest promise of all: God **ANSWERS** prayers!

- How does God answer our prayers? **YES, NO, OR WAIT!**

- Why does God **DELAY** in answering our prayers?

- 1) To **purify** our motives.
- 2) To **expose** our agendas.
- 3) To **strengthen** our faith.
- 4) To **prove** our hope.
- 5) To **teach** us perseverance.
- 6) To **reveal** His wisdom.

### 3. The **PARENTING** of the Father. 7:9-11

The Father Loves to Answer Prayer Like a Good Father!  
An illustration from lesser to **GREATER**.

- The **instinctive goodness** of our **EARTHLY** fathers. (9-10)
- The **infinite goodness** of our **HEAVENLY** Father. (11)

The Greatest Gift of All – Luke 11:13

The Father has given us the **SPIRIT** of His Son to dwell in us.

### 4. The **PURPOSE** of the Father. 7:12

The Father Loves It When We Pray to Spread the Fame of His Name!  
Kingdom praying glorifies God for our good and the good of others.

- Pray to **RECEIVE** from the Father what we need to live like the Son.  
"You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect." Matt 5:48
- Pray to **GIVE** to others what we have received from the Father.  
"In everything, therefore, treat people the same way you want them to treat you, for this is the Law and the Prophets." Matthew 7:12

#### So Now What? **PRAY and KEEP ON PRAYING!**

- Use the bulletin insert to **KickStart** your prayers with a Kingdom Model.
- Download the **PrayerMate App** and begin to pray.
- Sign-up online at **BlessEveryHome.com** to begin praying for your neighbors.