

Sermon on the Mount Part 15 "Ask, Seek, and Knock"

Matthew 7:7-12

- Jesus says to these individuals who are listening to His sermon on the mountainside in verse 7, " _____, and it will be given to you; _____, and you will find; _____, and it will be opened to you."
- In James 4:3, James says, "You _____ and do not receive, because you ask _____, that you may spend it on your pleasures."
- In Matthew 7:8 Jesus gives a promise for every disciple of His, that includes us, He says, "For _____ who asks _____, and he who seeks _____, and to him who knocks it will be _____."
- Do we truly believe this? _____
- Is Jesus speaking here of spiritual gifts or material gifts? _____

- Does God know how to give good gifts? _____
- In Matthew 7:11 Jesus says, "If you then, being _____, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your _____ who is in heaven give good things to those who _____ Him!"
- In verse 11 who does it say God will give good things to? _____

- Is a prayer life important in our relationship with God? _____
- Could our prayer life be improved? _____
- Scripture references: Matthew 7:7-12, Matthew 6:33, 1 Thessalonians 5:17, James 4:2-3, 1 John 5:14, Isaiah 40:29, James 4:3, Jeremiah 33:3, 1 Peter 1:16, Jeremiah 29:13, Matthew 5:42, Matthew 5:44, Ephesians 1:7, John 3:16

***Forgive us, Lord, our selfish asking,
All that's petty in Your sight;
Oh, help us pray with godly motives
And to seek what's good and right! –D. De Haan***

Faith and love are vital to effective prayer.