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“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened. Which of you, if his son asks for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in Heaven give good gifts to those who ask Him! So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets.

Matthew 7:7-12 (NIV)

Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

Hebrews 4:16 (NIV)

“Prayer does not fit us for greater _____,

prayer is the greater _____.”

Oswald Chambers

The M_____

“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.”

Matthew 7:7 (NIV)

• I _____

A _____

S _____

K _____

• I _____

A _____ = given

S _____ = find

K _____ = door opened

“For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened.”

Matthew 7:8 (NIV)

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life. This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of Him.

1 John 5:13-15 (NIV)

The M_____

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Matthew 7:8-11 (NIV)

T_____ – Bread =

D_____ – Fish =

Rationale:

We – _____ – give gifts

Father – _____ – good gifts

• Why Prayer?

1. Gives renewed _____ in God's ability.

“Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask Him.”

Matthew 6:8 (NIV)

2. Gives renewed _____ of my condition.

For I know that through your prayers...what has happened to me will turn out for my deliverance.

Philippians 1:19 (NIV)

3. Gives renewed _____ to God's methods.

And pray for us...that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ...Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should.

Colossians 4:3-4 (NIV)

• What?

If the _____ is wrong, God says “_____.”

If _____ are wrong, God says “_____.”

If the _____ is wrong, God says, “_____.”

If you and the request and timing are right, God says, “_____.”

Bill Hybels

“It is easier to regard unanswered prayer as the will of God than to...
reason out the causes of the defeat.”

Oswald Sanders

The M_____

“So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets.”

Matthew 7:12 (NIV)

“Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.”

Matthew 7:12 (KJV)

“Uncle Sam will not enlist you unless you are _____, Jesus
will not enlist you unless you are _____.

John Piper

Next Week:

Matthew 7:13-23

“Gates/False Prophets/Fruit”
& Quarterly Business Meeting