

**Luke 11:1-13**  
God the Giver

*When you pray ...*

- I. Learning to Pray
  - A. Teach Us
  - B. What to Say
- II. From a Parable
  - A. An Annoying Friend
  - B. A Hungry Kid
  - C. A Different Realm
- III. Applied
  - A. God is Your Father
  - B. Ask, Seek, Knock
  - C. And He Will Give
- IV. To Our Personal Practice
  - A. What We Ask For
  - B. What We Expect

*... expect good things.*

**Children, Listen ...**

1. What do the disciples ask Jesus to teach them to do?
2. Do you know what we call the "Lord's Prayer" by heart?
3. In Jesus story, why did the man give his friend bread?
4. Would a good dad give his child something nasty instead of food?
5. How is God so much greater than the man or the dad?

**The Heidelberg Catechism**

**Q 116.** Why is prayer necessary for Christians?

**A:** Because it is the chief part of thankfulness which God requires of us: and also, because God will give his grace and Holy Spirit to those only, who with sincere desires continually ask them of him, and are thankful for them.

**Q 117.** What are the requisites of that prayer, which is acceptable to God, and which he will hear?

**A:** First, that we from the heart pray to the one true God only, who has manifested himself in his word, for all things, he has commanded us to ask of him; secondly, that we rightly and thoroughly know our need and misery, that so we may deeply humble ourselves in the presence of his divine majesty; thirdly, that we be fully persuaded that he, notwithstanding that we are unworthy of it, will, for the sake of Christ our Lord, certainly hear our prayer, as he has promised us in his word.

**Q 118.** What has God commanded us to ask of him?

**A:** All things necessary for soul and body; which Christ our Lord has comprised in that prayer he himself has taught us. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.