

# Luke Chapter 11:1-13

## A Friend Comes at Midnight

*'For we walk by faith, not by sight. ' II Corinthians 5:7*

We have to believe God is able to accomplish supernatural things in our lives. God is supernatural. You are supernatural. To think otherwise is to be spiritually defeated.

### **Luke 11:1-13**

- 1) What are your thoughts on this block of scriptures?

Usually, the prayer is taught alone. Of course, we will expand on it.

Our model prayer ends with forgive us as we forgive others.

**Luke 11:5-8** <sup>5</sup> *And He said to them, "Which of you shall have a friend, and go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves; <sup>6</sup> for a friend of mine has come to me on his journey, and I have nothing to set before him'; <sup>7</sup> and he will answer from within and say, 'Do not trouble me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give to you?' <sup>8</sup> I say to you, though he will not rise and give to him because he is his friend, yet because of his persistence he will rise and give him as many as he needs.*

- 2) What is this about?

Let's break down the scripture --- literal --- figurative --- spiritual application.

A friend --- midnight --- bread --- journey.....

Who is your friend, neighbor?....

This may be one of our deepest spiritual applications to mental attitude yet.

### **Matthew 6:5-15 "Spiritually"**

- 3) Why can't you be forgiven if you don't forgive?

4) What's the difference between repetition and persistence in prayer?

A friend is anybody. The friend is you coming in your darkest hour. God will open. Keep knocking.

**Luke 11:9-13** <sup>9</sup> "So I say to you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. <sup>10</sup> For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. <sup>11</sup> If a son asks for bread from any father among you, will he give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent instead of a fish? <sup>12</sup> Or if he asks for an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? <sup>13</sup> If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!"

Jesus is comparing the two: Others ----- you  
You ----- God

*If you... being evil?*

The best gift ever is knowledge of God's Word.

5) What bread do you have to offer?

**You are Holy.  
We desire Your mind.  
Let it be.  
Feed us spiritually that I may (the evil one) be forgiven.  
Even forgive possibly.  
Deliver me from me.**

**Luke 11:13**

6) Why does the answer come down to receiving the Holy Spirit?

After that you will always have bread for those who knock.