



Breadless,
Prayerful,
Beloved

Luke 11:1-13

How vital is prayer to your life?

The fact that Jesus prays makes clear that he is dependent on God's help and direction. It is a tangible indicator for us that Jesus' power comes from God.

Luke 11:1

1 Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.”

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The rule of belief is the pattern of
prayer.

Luke 11:2-4

2 And he said to them, "When you pray, say: 'Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. 3 Give us each day our daily bread, 4 and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation.'"

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Hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come.
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And forgive us our sins, for we
ourselves forgive everyone who is
indebted to us. And lead us not into
temptation.

“Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord GOD: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them.

And the nations will know that I am the LORD, declares the Lord GOD, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes.” (Ezekiel 36:22-23)

“I will... gather you from all the countries... I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my [ways]... You shall be my people, and I will be your God.”

(Ezekiel 36:24-28)

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*“Give me neither poverty nor riches.
Feed me with the food that is needful
for me, lest I be full and deny you and
say, “Who is the LORD?” or lest I be
poor and steal and profane the name of
my God.” (Proverbs 30:8-9)*

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“The implication is that our sins are like unpaid debts—perhaps even unpayable debts—and that while we pray God not to collect on us, we also commit not to collect on others.” (González)

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Luke 11:5-7

5 And he said to them, “Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves, 6 for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him’; 7 and he will answer from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything’?

Luke 11:8-10

8 I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. 9 And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. 10 For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened.

Luke 11:11-13

11 What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; 12 or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? 13 If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

*“It is not for your sake that I will act,
declares the Lord GOD; let that be
known to you.” (Ezekiel 36:32)*

1. Jesus wants to train us in trust and dependence.
2. Jesus thrills to give us a front seat to miracle.
3. Jesus helps us recognize where our true power lies—not in ourselves, but in the Holy Spirit!