

Lighthouse Group Student Prep Guide

Text: Matthew 7:7–11

Read the passage ahead of time. Think through each question and be ready to engage honestly in discussion.

1. Why do you think we often avoid asking God for help, even when we clearly need it?

Dig Deeper: Where do you see this showing up in your life right now?

2. What's the difference between occasionally praying about something and persistently asking, seeking, and knocking?

Dig Deeper: What does your current prayer life reveal about what you actually depend on?

3. How can we tell when we're seeking God versus just seeking what He can give us?

Dig Deeper: How does Matthew 6:33 challenge your current priorities?

4. What does your persistence (or lack of it) in prayer say about what you really believe about God?

Dig Deeper: What tends to cause you to give up quickly in prayer?

5. Why is it important that Jesus compares God to a Father who gives good gifts?

Dig Deeper: Have you ever struggled to trust that God's answer was actually good?

6. What are some unhealthy ways people approach God in prayer?

Dig Deeper: Where are you tempted to treat God more like a resource than a Father?

7. Why do you think Scripture emphasizes asking for wisdom (James 1:5) instead of just outcomes?

Dig Deeper: What would change if your primary prayer request became wisdom?

8. How does this passage challenge the way you typically think about prayer?

Dig Deeper: If God gave you everything except Himself, would that be enough?

Carry It Forward

What's one thing God impressed on you tonight that you want to carry into this week?