Teach Us to Pray

Luke 11:1-13

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And He said to them, "When you pray, say: "Father, 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."

Luke 11:5 (ESV)

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,

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for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him';

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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'?

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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.

Luke 11:9 (ESV)

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.

Luke 11:10 (ESV)

For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened.

Luke 11:11 (ESV)

What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent;

Luke 11:12 (ESV)

or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion?

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If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

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Matthew 7:11 (ESV)

If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him!