Lesson 15: The Good Samaritan and the Feast of Dedication

Prayer Taught And Encouraged. (Luke 11:1-13)
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- Luke 11:1, "And it came to pass, as he was praying in a certain place, that when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, even as John also taught his disciples."
- · What Is Prayer?
- · Prayer is more than wishful thinking.
- More than empty platitudes.
- · More than clichés.
- It is the "heart's desire (praise, adoration, thanksgiving) expressed to God." Romans 10:1; cf. Hebrews 4:16: 1 Peter 5:7

Acknowledgments Seen In Prayer

- There is a God. cf. Hebrews 11:6
- Man needs God. cf. John 15:5
- God hears prayer. cf. James 4:8;
 1 Peter 3:12
 Psalms 65:2, "O thou that hearest prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come."
- God answers prayer. Matthew 7:7-11
- God cares for man. 1 Peter 5:7

Model Prayer. (Luke 11:1-13; cf. Matthew 6:9-15) The voice of faith speaking to the object of faith.

- Our Father (Matthew 6:9) –RELATIONSHIP. Romans 8:16
- In Heaven (Matthew 6:9) OMNIPOTENCE. Acts 17:24, 29; Psalms 14:2; 18:13; cf. Ephesians 3:20, "Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us."
- Hallowed REVERENCE. Exodus 20:7; Psalms 111:9; Proverbs 14:1; Romans 1:20; Malachi 1:6; Psalms 34:3, "Oh magnify Jehovah with me, and let us exalt his name together." cf. Daniel 2:20
 Psalms 145:1, "I will extol thee, my God, O King; and I will bless thy name for ever and ever."

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- *Kingdom* RULE, 1 John 3:7, 22; 1 Peter 3:12 "*Thy kingdom come*," is a pleading for the kingdom or church to be established. It was, <u>when this was spoken</u>, future. Though "at hand," it was yet to be established. The kingdom was established on the first Pentecost after Christ's ascension (Acts 2; Colossians 1:13; Hebrews 12:28).
- "Thy will be done," We should first endeavor to establish God's will in our own hearts and then work to teach the gospel of Christ to every creature (Mark 16:15).

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- Temporal needs. Matthew 6:8, 31ff
 - Daily Bread TRUST, Matthew 6:33; Psalms 37:25, "I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread."
 - Conditional. 2 Thessalonians 3:10;
 Ephesians 4:28
 - Protection from harm. cf. Matthew 24:20
- Forgive As We Forgive MERCY, Ephesians 4:32; Matthew 6:15

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