

# Sermon notes

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Caught Praying: VI

## Scripture reference

One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say: 'Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who sins against us. And lead us not into temptation.'" Luke 11:4

*It's the prayer of the careful Christian, the one who'd just as soon die as displease the Lord.*

## HOW'S YOUR PRAYER LIFE?

### The Parable of the Persistent Widow

LUKE 18:1-8

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought. And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.'" "For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care what people think, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually come and attack me!'" "And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"


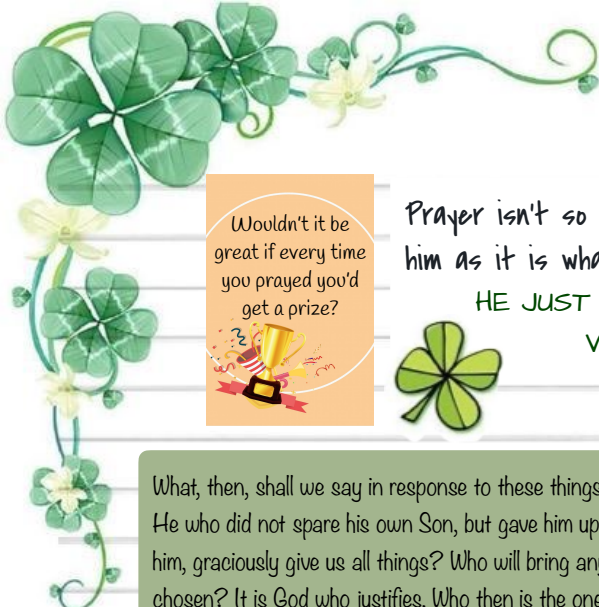
"The only fatal mistake is to stop praying and not begin again."

-Philip Yancey


KEEP PRAYING. DON'T GIVE UP!!!

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the Lord. "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts." Isaiah 55:8-9






Wouldn't it be great if every time you prayed you'd get a prize?



Prayer isn't so much what I say to him as it is what I allow him to say to me.  
HE JUST GIVES HIMSELF TO US!  
WHAT A PRIZE!!!



What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. ~Romans 8:31-34

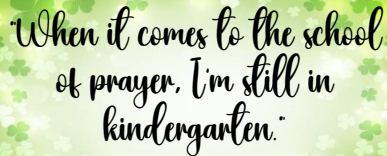
## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

-from Matthew 6:9-13



When it comes to the school  
of prayer, I'm still in  
kindergarten."

-Paul Cunningham

"...when the son of Man  
comes, will he find faith on  
the earth?" - Luke 18:8

Will he find persistent  
prayer warriors?

