

## Discipleship: Persistence In Prayer

Luke 11:5-10 Then He said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and goes to him at midnight and says to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves; 6 for a friend of mine has come to me from a journey, and I have nothing to set before him’; 7 and from inside he answers and says, ‘Do not bother me; the door has already been shut and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.’ 8 I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his persistence he will get up and give him as much as he needs. 9 So I say to 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 he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.

### I. Friend Request; vss. 5-8

#### A. Favor Asked

#### B. Request Denied/Delayed:

##### Relationship Not Enough

##### 1. Friendship With Neighbor

Insufficient For Unusual  
Provision

2. Friendship With God  
Insufficient For Unusual  
Provision

II. Fortitude Required; vs. 8

A. Persistence

B. Relational Bridge Hold's His  
Importunity

III. Formula Postulated; vs. 9

A. Ask & Keep On Asking For The  
Right Thing

B. Knock & Keep On Knocking  
On The Right Door

C. Seek & Keep On Seeking The  
Right Solution

IV. Final Axiom; vs. 10

A. Everyone Who Asks, Receives

B. Everyone Who Seeks, Finds

C. Everyone Who Knocks, Gains  
Access