

CALL FOR HELP

ASK

WEEK 4 // DANNY ANDERSON

“Ask and it will be given to you; **seek** and you will find; **knock** and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks **receives**; the one who seeks **finds**; and to the one who knocks, the door will be **opened**.”

Matthew 7:7-8

You do not have, because you do not **ask**. *James 4:2*

“Asking is the rule of the Kingdom.” — Charles Spurgeon

1. Isn't it _____ to ask for things for yourself?

Jesus uses the metaphor of a _____ - _____ relationship to help us with prayer.

“You **parents**—if your **children** ask for a loaf of bread, do you give them a stone instead? Or if they ask for a fish, do you give them a snake? Of course not! So if you sinful people know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your **heavenly Father** give good gifts to those who ask him.” *Matthew 7:9-11*

“Our primary privilege as God's children is to ask audaciously and repeatedly for everything we need, expecting him to answer, naturally or supernaturally, by whatever means he sees fit.” — Pete Greig

2. Doesn't God already know what I _____?

“What do you want me to do for you?” Jesus asked. “My Rabbi,” the blind man said, “I want to see!” *Mark 10:51*

God desires a _____ with you.

“Jesus is more interested in friendship than in dispensing blessings to faceless souls.” — Pete Greig

God desires _____ from us.

And without **faith** it is impossible to please God... *Hebrews 11:6*

“In all forms, asking is an expression of faith.” — Pete Greig

God desires _____.

“God has instituted prayer to impart to his creatures the dignity of causality.” — Blaise Pascal

“The most adequate description of prayer is simply, ‘Talking to God about what we are doing together.’” — Dallas Willard

3. I didn't get an _____.

“Abba, Father,” he cried out, “everything is possible for you. Please **take this cup** of suffering away from me.” *Mark 14:36*

Ask in _____.

But when you ask, you **must believe** and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. That person should not expect to receive anything from the Lord. *James 1:6-7*

Turn away from _____.

Drop the _____.

“But when you are praying, first forgive anyone you are holding a **grudge** against, so that your Father in heaven will **forgive** your sins, too.” *Mark 11:25*

Start _____.

Fill-ins:
selfish
father-child
need
relationship
faith
partnership
answer
faith
sin
grudge
asking