



REALife Application

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or REALife Group.

***Prayer: It's Not For Wimps Luke 11:5-13**

Persistence in Prayer Pays Off.

A Persistent Friend. vv. 5-8

A Persistent Son vv. 9-10

A Gracious Father vv. 11-13

Persistence Looks Like...

Asking = Awareness of Need; Humility; Faith

Seeking = Asking plus Action

Knocking = Asking plus Action plus Persistence

Persistence Applied:

- 1) Our faith Grows.**
- 2) Our patience grows.**
- 3) We understand the extent of our desires.**
- 4) We understand genuine gratitude for answers.**
- 5) We learn our role in the answer.**

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- 1) When it comes to the harder aspects of life, do you perceive yourself as a warrior or a wimp? Give examples.
- 2) Describe your current practice of prayer? How often do you pray? Do you get discouraged if you don't get an answer? What requests are most common for you and why?
- 3) Read the account of Jacob wrestling with God in Genesis 32:22-32. How desperate is Jacob to receive a blessing from God? What is the cost of that blessing? Is there a blessing that you are willing to wrestle for in prayer?
- 4) Which of the 5 benefits of persistent prayer most excites you? Why?



Memory Verse:

"So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you".

Luke 11:9