

# RHYTHMS:

Cultivating Spiritual Habits of Devotion

JUNE 12 | STONE OAK CAMPUS

## LUKE 11:5-13

### Prepare Your Heart & Mind

Begin this time in prayer, confessing any sins you can recall, thanking the Lord for the gift of His Word, and asking for His Spirit to guide you in your time.



### Reflect/Connect

- Use these questions for a time of individual reflection or to connect with others in meaningful conversation.

### Grow in the Word

- These questions are designed as a guide for individual study and to foster spiritual conversation with a group of people.

## REFLECT/CONNECT

- In what ways did you pursue or experience the presence of God this last week?
- How would you describe your prayer life?
- What do your prayers typically consist of? (confession, praise/thanksgiving, asking for things, etc.)



## GROW IN THE WORD

In verses 5-9, Jesus gave his disciples an example of the type of persistence that would cause even an unwilling neighbor to meet a friend's need no matter the inconvenience.

- How does the text describe the manner in which the friend convinces his neighbor to provide help? Compare translations for verse 8 to get a broader understanding.
- What does this illustration teach you about prayer?

Jesus gives his disciples an incentive to pray boldly, teaching them to trust that God is a good father who gives what is best even if it's not what they ask for.

- What does Jesus promise that God will give in response to asking, seeking, and knocking?
- Why is the Holy Spirit the ultimate answer to all of our prayers? See Romans 8:15, 8:26; Galatians. 5:22-23.
- How can this passage encourage you in prayer even when you don't get what you are asking for?

Cultivating a habit of prayer is an excellent way to pursue the presence of God.

- What hinders you from praying in the way Jesus describes?
- How do you want your prayer life to change in light of this passage?

# NOTES

Use this page for sermon notes, prayer requests, or additional notes on the passage from your study.