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Jesus Prays – A Lot

Luke 11:1-13
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Redefined: Jesus Prays – A Lot

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Main Idea: Pray often and with boldness.

Connecting

Describe a memorable experience you shared with your mom or dad.

Have you ever received a call for help in the middle of the night? How did you respond?

Understanding

Read Luke 11:1-13. How do the elements of prayer in verses 1-4 reflect Jesus' bigger mission?

What does the parable in verses 5-8 suggest about the way we should pray? What does it mean to pray with boldness?

In verses 9-13, is Jesus suggesting that His followers will receive anything they ask for? Explain.

Read Luke 5:16, 6:12, 9:18. Why do you think privacy was so important to Jesus when He prayed?

Living

What three words best describe your prayer life right now?

When and where do you typically pray? How does the setting affect the quality of your prayers?

How does living in an "instant" society affect our prayer lives?

Have you ever asked God for something with boldness and persistence? What happened?

How do you respond to unanswered prayer?

What are the benefits of a healthy prayer life?

Do you view God as approachable? What steps can you take to seek a more intimate relationship with God?

Pray together using the Lord's prayer as a guide.

Sneak Preview

Next Sunday: "Jesus Includes the Outsider" – Luke 5:27-39

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