

Unanswered Prayer

December 6th, 2020

MATTHEW 7:7-11

7 "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. 8 For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. 9 Or which one of you, if his son asks him for bread, will give him a stone? 10 Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a serpent? 11 If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him!

God is a good father who gives good gifts. He is not limited in his ability to give good gifts.

God is the one who gets to define "good."

God's good gifts may only make sense through the lens of faith.

Often times we can get disappointed when we don't get the desired outcome of our prayers. If disappointment in prayer is not worked through, we may cease to ask, seek, or knock.

"If your hope disappoints you, it is the wrong kind of hope. You see, hope in God never disappoints, precisely because it is hope in God. This means that hope placed in any other thing will always end up disappointing."

-Paul David Tripp

Matthew 7:7-11 guarantees a relationship with the Father for those who seek him.

What if the desperation of continued asking, continued seeking, and continued knocking brought you closer and closer to God?
