

## Hope Groups - The Seven Commands of Jesus – Command #3 Pray

**Command:** 2 He said to them, “When you pray, say:

“Father,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come.

3 Give us each day our daily bread.

4 Forgive us our sins,

for we also forgive everyone who sins against us.

And lead us not into trials. (Luke 11:2-4)

**Bible Story:** The Persistent Friend (Luke 11 :5-13)

5 Then Jesus said to them, “Suppose you have a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; 6 a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have no food to offer him.’ 7 And suppose the one inside answers, ‘Don’t bother me. The door is already locked, and my children and I are in bed. I can’t get up and give you anything.’ 8 I tell you, even though he will not get up and give you the bread because of friendship, yet because of your shameless audacity he will surely get up and give you as much as you need.

9 “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. 10 For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

11 “Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? 12 Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? 13 If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

### LOOK BACK... (10-15 mins)

What are you thankful for and what’s been a challenge this week?

Can we help with or pray about anything shared?

**Vision\* & Check-in:** How did you go with your plan to share/invite or obey from last time?

### LOOK UP... (10-15 mins)

**Read this week’s story/passage. Discuss the following questions:**

1. What did you like about this passage?
2. What did you find challenging or hard to understand?

### Re-read the passage/story (& retell in your own words)

3. What does this say about God/Jesus?
4. What does this say about people?

### LOOK FORWARDS... (10-15 mins)

What would it mean for me to obey/follow what is taught here?

Who will I share this story with?

Who will I invite to the next Event in my City?

If appropriate, pray.

### Scan to find the next Event in your City:



**\*Vision:** “Reaching the world through workers with the good news about Jesus”