

#### THE BIBLE WAY TO HEAVEN

#### Realize That God Loves You.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16).

### The Bible Says That All Men Are Sinners.

"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:23).

### God's Word Also Says That Sin Must Be Paid For.

"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" (Romans 6:23).

### The Good News Is That Jesus Christ Paid for Your Sins.

"But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." (Romans 5:8).

### You Must Personally Call on Jesus Christ to Save You.

The Bible Says, "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." (Romans 10:13).



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## Memory Verse - Philippians 4:6

"Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God."

## **Study Aim**

- To discover how the power of nothing is what produces the power we need in our prayer life.
- To learn why we are to be persistent in our prayers and the benefits that come from being persistent in our prayer life.
- Read Luke 11:1-13

# **Set the Stage**

- When we consider the topic of prayer certain questions can come to mind?
  - Is there a right way and a wrong way to pray?
  - How can we pray effectively and correctly?
  - Where do we get the power to see our prayers answered?

Spring Semester 2025 Lesson 1

## Take it to the Next Level

• He seeks because he has nothing.

- He is bold in prayer because he has nothing.
  - "According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord: In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him (Ephesians 3:11-12)
  - "Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need." (Hebrews 4:16)

• He is persistent in prayer because he has nothing.

### **Put it into Action**

- Persistence in prayer strengthens our relationship with God.
- Persistence in prayer overcomes our apathy.
- Persistence in prayer changes our hearts and minds.
- Persistence in prayer keeps us dependent on Him.
- "Persistence in prayer is not an attempt to change God's mind but to get ourselves to the place where He can trust us with the answer." Phillips Brooks

## **Taking it Further**

- Read Matthew 15:22-28. What did this woman do to get Jesus to answer her prayer? Why did Jesus say she had great faith?
- What are your greatest struggles with prayer? What have you done to help you pray more consistently and effectively?