Series: Upside-Down Kingdom
Passage: Matthew 7:7-11
Sunday: July 21, 2024

Matthew 7:7-11 ESV

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!

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1. As Christians, what should we be asking, seeking, and knocking for?

2. What personally holds you back from genuinely asking and seeking?

3. How do we read this passage and not treat God like a genie who grants our every wish and desire?

4. When discouraged, what do you do to continue asking, seeking, and knocking on the Kingdom's door with strength and powerful belief?

5. Has there been a time where you have asked for something specific and the Lord provided abundantly? On the flip side, have you waited for unanswered prayers or received something different from your prayers? How did you respond to both of the situations?

6. After reading verse 11, how has your confidence changed knowing that when you go to the Father to ask for things, he will only answer plentifully and wonderfully?

7. What could you begin praying for this week that God would change in your life?