

Seconds

Seconds: (1) n. – An Additional helping of food after one has already consumed what was first served; (2) n. small unit of time, a few of which is all it takes to complete this sheet for further study of last week’s sermon at Mount Hope.

“There For The Asking” Matthew 7:7-12

“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.” Matthew 7:7

If God is all-powerful and all knowing why do you think He still requires us to come and ask Him for things in prayer?

In this passage Jesus uses the illustration of a parent child relationship, can you think of some examples of when a parent would want a child to ask for something? From these examples what can we learn about the relationship that God desires with us?

What can we learn from the following passages about the way we should ask God for things in prayer?

James 4:1-3

Matthew 6:5-7

Hebrews 4:16

Luke 18:1-8

Jesus invites, even implores us, to ask God for things; what are you asking God for at this point in your life?

If you can’t think of anything that you are asking God for, why do you think that is the case?

Just a Thought:

‘This passage closes with the verse we have come to know as the golden rule, ‘Do to others as you would have them do to you.’ Scholars are mixed on how or whether this verse connects with the previous section on prayer. But, could it be that our actions towards others could be what God uses to answer someone else’s prayers? Just a thought.