

### "THE 41 PARABLES JESUS CHRIST"

28 general parables and 13 kingdom of heaven parables

#### **Parable #27 – "A FRIEND IN NEED"**

[Luke 11:5-8,9-12,13](#)

The 14<sup>th</sup> of the 28 general parables

#### **BACKGROUND:**

In 445BC, with **one Bible week** equating to **seven years** (a prophetic year being 360 days), God commanded that **seventy weeks** each of **7 years**, would be determined upon Israel, that is ... **70 weeks x 7 years = 490 years** ([Daniel 9:24-27](#)).

This time frame is broken into **four** time periods of (a) **7 weeks** + (b) **62 weeks** + (c) the mystery church age of about 2,000 years + (d) **1 week = 70 weeks** and is explained as follows:

#1. **Seven** weeks of years is **7 x 7 = 49** years ... the time it takes to restore and build Jerusalem from 445BC to 396BC.

#2. **Sixty two** weeks of years is **62 x 7 = 434** years ... the time from the building of Jerusalem in 396BC to Christ being cut off at the cross in 32AD.

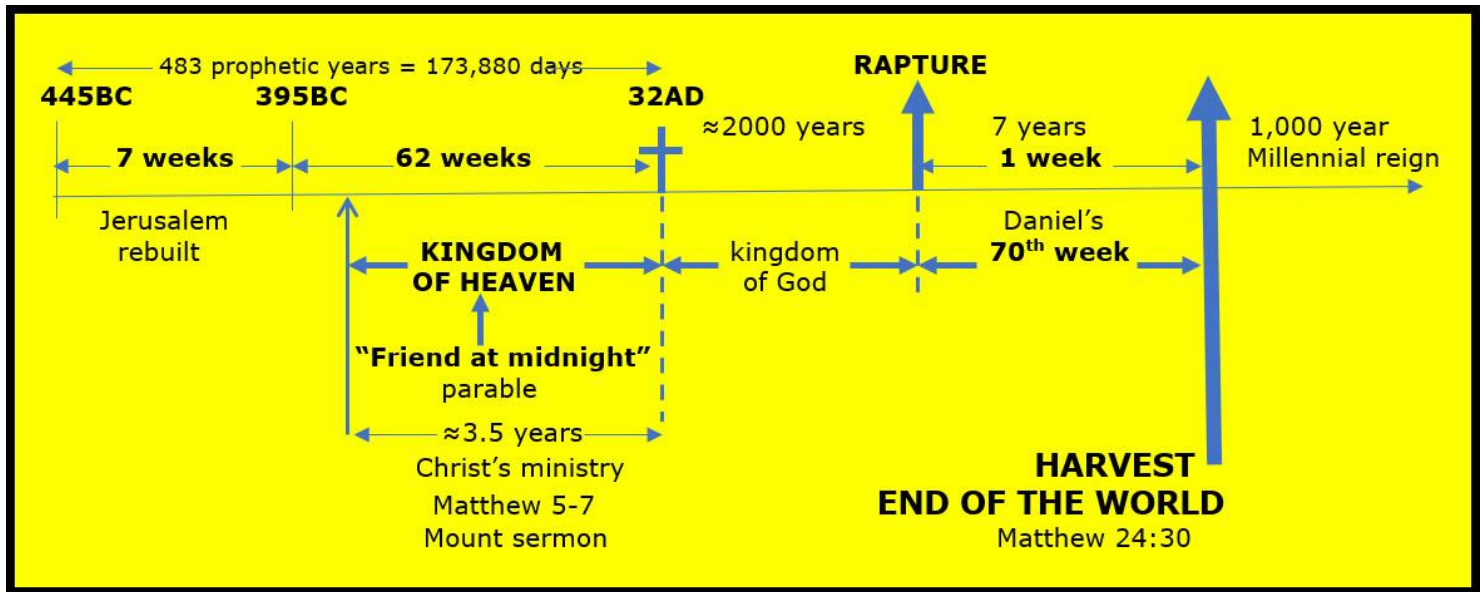
#3. The church age of approximately 2,000 years

#4. **One week** of years is **1 x 7 = 7** years ... this is the seven years of tribulation of God's wrath upon the earth, that takes place after the rapture ... called **Daniel's 70<sup>th</sup> week**.

The following **Timeline** will help (not drawn to scale):

[DANIEL 9:24-27](#)

*"Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city ... from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be **seven weeks**, and **threescore and two weeks** ... after **threescore and two weeks** shall Messiah be cut off ... he shall confirm the covenant with many for **one week** ..."*



### [Luke 11:1-8,9-12,13](#)

And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, **teach us to pray**, as John also taught his disciples. And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth. Give us day by day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. **(The Lord's prayer)**

And he said unto them, Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say unto him, Friend, lend me **three loaves**; For a friend of mine in his journey is come to me, and I have nothing to set before him? And he from within shall answer and say, Trouble me not: the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give thee. I say unto you, Though he will not rise and give him, because he is his friend, yet because of his **importunity** he will rise and give him as many as he needeth.

And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. For every one that ask**eth** receiv**eth**; and he that seek**eth** find**eth**; and to him that knock**eth** it shall be opened.

If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent? Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: **how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?**

### **EXPLANATION:**

The four points where Christians **misuse** the above parable are ...

1. The disciples and the Lord's prayer
2. Importunity
3. The word endings of "-eth"
4. The giving of the Holy Spirit

1. This is the disciples asking how to pray before Christ had gone to the cross.

They **do not have eternal life** as they are not yet baptised into Christ (1 Corinthians 12:13)

They are still under the **kingdom of heaven dispensation** which is chalk and cheese compared to the kingdom of God.

The Lord's prayer is **NOT** a Christian's prayer with the conditional forgiveness of "Forgive us our sins as we forgive others" ([Matthew 6:12](#); [Luke 11:4](#)).

2. Christians, and the disciples were not, follow Paul, and nowhere does Paul talk about importunity when praying.

Under the kingdom heaven dispensation, the disciple were required to show **importunity** when praying ... importunity being **persistence** to the point of being **downright annoying**.

This approach to praying is **not** required in the kingdom of God under Paul's teachings.

3. The ending of "-eth" signify present and continuous and without let up. Many Christian prayers today become **prayers of unbelief** ... they don't know when to stop. They believe that a constant hammering on Christ's door will get them what they want. The opposite may turn out to be true.

They treat God like a **DEAF IDIOT WITH A SHORT MEMORY**. They ignore the following instructions ...

*And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose. [Romans 8:28](#)*

*Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ; [Ephesians 5:20](#)*

*Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. [Philippians 4:6](#)*

*Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. [1 Thessalonians 5:16-18](#)*

4. When a person gets saved he receives the holy Ghost automatically which comes and lives within him. The Holy Spirit becomes the personal form of the Holy Ghost. The disciples were asking under the kingdom of heaven dispensation. No-one could have the **permanent** indwelling of the Holy Ghost.

#### **SUMMARY:**

1. Christians prayers become prayers of unbelief, annoyance, non-trust and gratification of what they want.

2. The Lord's prayer with all its conditions is not a Christian prayer.

3. God knows exactly what is good for us ... will we wait on his time ... his will, his time, his way ... with thanksgiving.

4. Parents with children know that a quiet child will receive more than an annoying demanding one.

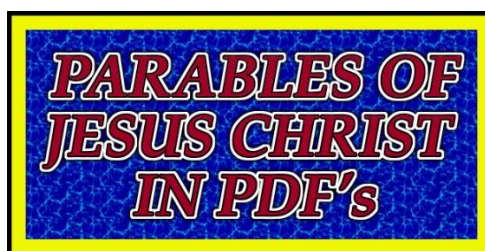
God knows what we want ... before we even ask for it.

God knows what is best for us.

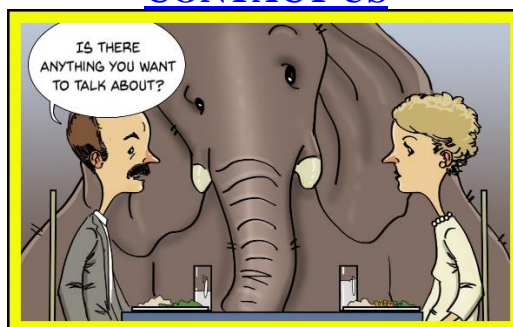
Under the kingdom of God dispensation, importunate prayer by Christian babies can be a sign of lack of faith in God.

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