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*MAIN IDEA*

**P.U.S.H**

*Matthew 7:7-11*

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## KEY THOUGHTS

Father God loves you and knows what you need and what you desire even better than you do but he loves to be asked.

If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God" (James 1:5).

"You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart" (Jeremiah 29:13)

1. Asking is exactly that- we talk to the Father in prayer about our concerns and listen for his reply.
2. `Seeking' implies that we make a diligent search through Scripture on what God says in the Bible about our concern.
3. Knocking implies faith-motivate work to do what we can in obedience to God and his Word. We do our part and trust God to do his part.

### Effective Prayer

- Honest prayer
- Consistent prayer
- Confident prayer
- Tenacious prayer
- Surrendered prayer

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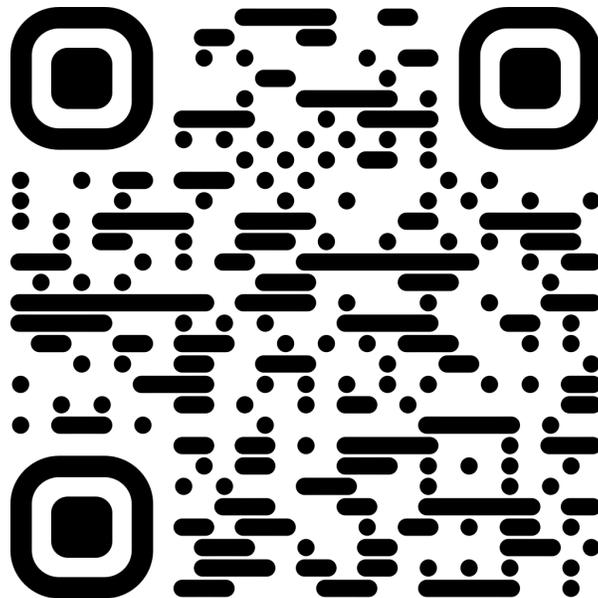
## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Describe how asking, seeking and knocking are different from each other and what they accomplish.
2. Describe tenacious prayer and how you have experienced that in your life or that of someone you know. P.U.S.H. (Pray Until Something Happens)
3. Read Luke 18:9-15 and Psalm 31:7-16 and describe what honest prayer is and why it is important.
4. Find someone to write down prayer requests and pray for each other, for Epikos and for our city today.
5. Find a prayer partner (other than your spouse) and set a time to pray with each other at least 3 times this week.

# PRAYER & PRAISE

Scan the code below to let us know how we can be praying for you, as well as how we can rejoice with you in the faithfulness and goodness of God.

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