



The Parables  
*Hidden*  
in Plain *Sight*

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*"Then Jesus said to them, 'Suppose you have a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have no food to offer him." And suppose the one inside answers, "Don't bother me. The door is already locked, and my children and I are in bed. I can't get up and give you anything." I tell you, even though he will not get up and give you the bread because of friendship, yet because of your shameless audacity he will surely get up and give you as much as you need.*

*So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.*

*Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!" -Luke 11:5-13*

*"They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers." -Acts 1:14*

**Prayer is where we encounter the living God.  
Prayer is the laboratory of the Spirit.**

Three Kinds of Prayer

1. \_\_\_\_\_ prayer.

*"He prayed to the Lord and said, 'O Lord, is this not what I said while I was in my own country? That's why I fled to Tarsis at the beginning, for I knew you're a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and ready to relent from punishing. Now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better to die than to live.'" -Jonah 4:2-3 (CSB)*

*"When the sun arose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat upon the head of Jonah so that he fainted; and he requested for himself that he might die and said, 'It is better for me to die than to live.'" -Jonah 4:8*

*"Then God asked Jonah, 'Is it right for you to be angry about the plant?'"  
-Jonah 4:9*

*"You're concerned about this vine, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow. It came into being in a night and perished in a night. Shall I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city in which there are more than 120,000 persons who do not know their right hand from their left and also many animals?" -Jonah 4:10-11*

2. \_\_\_\_\_ prayer.

*"The Lord said to Moses, 'why are you crying out to me?  
Tell the Israelites to break camp.'" -Exodus 14:15*

3. \_\_\_\_\_ prayer.