



## WEEK 19 PRAYER

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*And He said to them, “Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves, for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him’; and he will answer from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything’? I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!”*

— LUKE 11:5-13 (ESV)

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### THE PRAYER

Lord, as Your people, we have come to the “midnight hour.” It is an hour when a new day of Your presence and power is dawning. Yet, it is still too dark to be seen. We come before You, both as Your beloved people and Your persistent people. We know You will rise up and give us fresh bread for our hungry world. Although You refer to healing as “the children’s bread,” we ask today for Your healing today.

**We boldly ask You to eradicate COVID-19 and heal the people battling this disease.**

Jesus, You said, “Ask and it will be given, seek and you will find, knock and it will be opened...” Today, we go beyond merely asking. We also seek for the wisdom we need to serve as ambassadors of healing and reconciliation to a world broken by division and pain.

**Use us to bring reconciliation and healing to our fractured cities and nations through the message of the Gospel and the power of Your Holy Spirit.**

As our loving Heavenly Father, You promise to give the Holy Spirit to those who ask You. Today, we ask for those who do not know how to ask. In fact, we are knocking—even pounding—on the gates of Heaven for a fresh outpouring of Your Spirit in the earth. We will not quit knocking. We will not quit until we hear from Heaven and You respond to our cry. The stark needs of our shattered nations drive us to You in desperation. You alone are the Answer.

**Lord, we — and the peoples of our world — are in dire need. Please hear our desperate cry and send a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit to us. In Jesus’ name we pray.**

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