

Matthew  
Chapter 7  
June 7, 2020

# Keep Asking, Seeking, Knocking

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*Memory Verse*

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“For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.” Matthew 7:8

## Jesus Instructs Us to ASK

Just as we learned last week that Jesus taught His disciples how to pray, we see this week that Jesus instructs His followers to pray continuously using three actions in the acronym **ASK**. Let’s take a closer look at what each letter stands for.

**ASK** - John 14:13-14 says “Whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.”

**SEEK** - We learned last week, Matthew 6:33 says “But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.”

**KNOCK** - Revelation 3:20 says “Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and will dine with him, and he with Me.”

By doing these three actions, we find that God responds in three ways: He says “For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.” This promise is TRUE for everyone that calls upon the name of the Lord and seeks to do the Father’s will. Jesus also shares four additional TRUTHS about how we can pray for others and ourselves.

## Join me in prayer this week: Let’s ASK

- **Matthew 7:1-6 &15-20** - Jesus, just as you instructed us, help me not to judge others for You see everyone’s heart. Help me to see the fruit of those around me, both good and bad, so that I may know them and be able to pray.
- **Matthew 7: 13-14** - Jesus, help me to walk where you tell me walk, go the way you would go and pray for those that lost their way or do not know the way to you. I know the way is narrow, but Jesus you made a way for all by dying on the cross for our sin.
- **Matthew 7:21-23** - Jesus, help me to be bold, to do the will of the Father, and be sensitive to the Holy Spirit, that I may share your gospel and see the lost saved. For we desire all to come into the kingdom of heaven.
- **Matthew 7:24-29** - Father, help me to build my house on you, the Rock of Jesus Christ. So that when the storms of this life come, I will stand firm with my Savior. Amen.

Read Matthew Chapter 7 and answer the questions below.

- 1) **What is something that you can pray for specifically this week by using ASK?**
- 2) **Is there someone you judged recently? How can you pray for them?**
- 3) **What kind of fruit have you produced this season?**

**Ask the Lord to show you how to abide in Jesus. John 15:5 says “I am the vine, you are the branches; He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.”**

- 4) **Can you think of a difficult time in your life when the Rock of Jesus was your firm foundation, how did you respond?**

**Be a wise builder - look up the verse and decode below.**

### **Wise Builders-Matthew 7:24**

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