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Luke 11:1-13 - God honouring prayer

1) Jesus teaches us to address God as Father

2) Jesus teaches us to pray in a way which is God-centred

*a) God-centred prayer will always request that God be honoured* - Luke 11:2b

- Numbers 20:12 - God's name is hallowed when God is trusted
- Isaiah 8:12-13 - God's name is hallowed when God is feared above all others
- Leviticus 22:31-32 - God's name is hallowed when God is obeyed
- Leviticus 10:3 - God's name is hallowed when God is honoured in front of others by our actions

*b) God-centred prayer will desire that his rule be evident to all* - Luke 11:2c

Philippians 2:9-11

3) Jesus teaches us to pray in a way which honours God by expressing our dependence upon him

*a) For our physical needs* -  
Luke 11:3

*b) For our spiritual needs* - Luke 11:4a

Luke 11:4b

4) Jesus assures us that God will respond positively to our God-centred and God-dependent prayers

Luke 11:8

Luke 11:9-13

5) Reasons why God might not answer our prayers with a yes

*a) Because our prayers are self-centred rather than God-centred*

*b) Because God knows better than us about how to maximise his honour*

Job 1:20-21

6) Prayer which seeks to honour God is part of the foundation needed to love God