

Jesus Magnified

Luke 11

Lesson 10

FIRST DAY: Read Luke 11

There is so much we can learn from Jesus! Not only are all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge hidden in Him (Colossians 2:2-3), but He alone is the Son of God descended from heaven. As Jesus taught His disciples (Luke 11), He disclosed spiritual realities concerning prayer, demonic spirits, light, true righteousness, and judgment. Jesus alone can speak with absolute authority on these subjects because He alone is God incarnate. When we take earnest heed to Jesus' teachings, we grow in our understanding of spiritual realities and become more rooted in our faith.

Ask the Lord to help you to receive and understand all that He desires to teach you.

SECOND DAY: Read Luke 11:1-4

1. Luke 11:1a records that Jesus *was praying in a certain place*. What did *one of His disciples* ask Him *when He ceased*? Luke 11:1

a. What do you think prompted him to ask this?

2. Jesus' response to this question in Luke 11:2-4 is known as the Lord's Prayer. Use this prayer to fill in the blanks and answer the questions that follow:

a. Our _____ in _____

(1) What does it mean to you to be able to address God in this way?

b. _____ *be Your* _____

- (1) *Hallowed* means *Holy, set apart*. Referring to someone's *name* was to speak of his or her character. What does this convey to you about God?

c. *Your* _____ *come*

- (1) This expresses a desire for Jesus to rule and reign. Link this with Matthew 6:33 and comment on the results of praying with this mindset.

d. *Your* _____ *be done on* _____ *as it is in*

- (1) Why should this be our priority in prayer?

e. *Give us* _____ *by* _____ *our* _____

- (1) Why is this a good prayer in regard to material needs?

f. *And* _____ *us our* _____, *for we also*
_____ *everyone who is* _____ *to us*

- (1) Link this with Matthew 6:14-15, 18:21-35. What do you see?

g. *And do not* _____ *us into* _____, *but*
_____ *us from the* _____

(1) What truth are we to acknowledge about ourselves in this prayer?

3. What does the Lord's Prayer *teach* you about prayer?

4. Share a reason you think prayer is essential.

THIRD DAY: Read Luke 11:5-13

1. Jesus then illustrated principles concerning prayer using examples from everyday life. Summarize His first example from Luke 11:5-8.

a. What was Jesus communicating concerning prayer? See also Luke 18:7 and Colossians 4:2.

2. Use the directives Jesus gave in Luke 11:9-10 to fill in the chart below:

ACTION	DEFINE THIS ACTION	RESULT
<i>Ask</i>		
<i>Seek</i>		
<i>Knock</i>		

a. In the Greek these verbs are continuous, so they translate, *keep asking, keep seeking, keep knocking*. What does this convey to you about prayer? See also 1 Thessalonians 5:17.

(1) Link this with the example of Elijah in 1 Kings 18:41-45. What do you see?

3. According to Jesus in Luke 11:11-12, what would a father **not** give his son *if he asks for*:

a. *Bread*

b. *Fish*

c. *An egg*

4. Therefore, what was His conclusion? Luke 11:13

a. What does this convey to you about *your heavenly Father*?

b. What does this convey to you about prayer?

5. From your study today, share something you desire to apply to your prayer life.

FOURTH DAY: Read Luke 11:14–28

1. According to Luke 11:14a, after Jesus cast out a *demon*, the mute man *spoke*. Cite the varied reactions to this miracle from Luke 11:14b–16.

2. Jesus, *knowing their thoughts*, addressed those who said, *He casts out demons by Beelzebub*. In Luke 11:17–19 (NLT), Jesus responded by saying, *Any kingdom divided by civil war is doomed. A family splintered by feuding will fall apart. You say I am empowered by Satan. But if Satan is divided and fighting against himself, how can his kingdom survive? And if I am empowered by Satan, what about your own exorcists? They cast out demons, too, so they will condemn you for what you have said. Why did Jesus say their argument was unreasonable?*

- a. Since Jesus *cast out demons with the finger of God*, what was true? Luke 11:20

3. Jesus then gave two illustrations concerning the spiritual realm. Use Luke 11:21-26 to summarize His illustrations:
 - a. The *strong man* (verses 21-23)
 - (1) The *strong man* represents Satan. Read Colossians 2:15 and 1 John 4:4 to understand and comment on the One who *overcomes him*.

 - b. The *unclean spirit* (verses 24-26)
 - (1) Link this with 2 Peter 2:20. Why is it not enough to be delivered from a demon?

 - c. How do these illustrations enhance your understanding of the spiritual realm?

4. In Luke 11:27 *a certain woman* pronounced a blessing upon Jesus' mother for bearing Him. According to Jesus' response in Luke 11:28, who is more *blessed*?

a. How does this inspire you?

5. What is your greatest takeaway from your study today?

FIFTH DAY: Read Luke 11:29–36

1. When Jesus addressed *the crowds* who were seeking a *sign* from Him, what did He say about them? Luke 11:29a

a. From Luke 11:29b–30 describe the only *sign* Jesus would give them.

(1) Link this with Matthew 12:39–40 to further understand and comment on this *sign*.

2. Use Luke 11:31–32 to explain why the following people would judge this *generation*:

a. The *queen of the South* (1 Kings 10:1–9)

b. The *men of Nineveh* (Jonah 3:5)

(1) What lesson do you receive from these examples?

(1) Use Luke 11:41 (NLT) to identify the remedy for this problem: *So clean the inside by giving gifts to the poor, and you will be clean all over.*

2. Jesus proceeded to pronounce various woes upon the religious leaders. Use Luke 11:39–52 to identify the offenses committed by:

a. The *scribes and Pharisees*

(1) verse 42

(2) verse 43

(3) verse 44

b. The *lawyers*

(1) verse 46

(2) verses 47–48

(a) What would be *required of this generation* as a result? (verses 49–51)

(3) verse 52

c. What warning do you receive from these woes?

- d. A *woe* is an expression of grief. In what tone do you think Jesus delivered these woes?

3. Summarize and comment on the reaction of the religious leaders to Jesus' words. Luke 11:53-54

4. From your study this week, remark on the following:
 - a. Prayer

 - b. The spiritual realm

 - c. Light

 - d. Judgment

5. How was Jesus magnified through your study this week?