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7 " Ask, and it will be given to you;
 seek, and you will find; knock, and it
 will be opened to you.



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8 For everyone who asks receives,
 and he who seeks finds, and to him
 who knocks it will be opened.




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God's List


- Ask – Seek – Knock
- Believe in prayer
- Act on prayer
- Pursue by prayer

God hears desire: God hears hunger: God
 hears thirst; He does not hear casual
 interest!



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The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results.
James 5:16



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God's List

- Fatalism
 - Dependence (not automatic!)
- Formula
 - Yearning (not mantra!)
- Futility
 - Persistence (not simple!)




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"If we don't receive by asking, then let us seek; if we don't receive by seeking, then let us knock."
Thomas Manton




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9 Or what man is there among you who, when his son asks for a loaf, will give him a stone?




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10 Or if he asks for a fish, he will not give him a snake, will he?



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11 If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give what is good to those who ask Him!



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“What is fundamentally at stake is man’s picture of God. God must not be thought of as a reluctant stranger who can be cajoled or bullied into bestowing his gifts, as a malicious tyrant who takes vicious glee in the tricks he plays, or even as an indulgent grandfather who provides everything requested of him. He is the heavenly Father, the God of the kingdom, who graciously and willingly bestows the good gifts of the kingdom in answer to prayer.”


D.A. Carson



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God’s Love

- Loaf – stone
- Fish – snake
- Good gifts – perfect gifts!



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12 "In everything, therefore, treat people the same way you want them to treat you, for this is the Law and the Prophets.



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God's Law

- Treat as you have been treated?
- Treat as you would like to be treated?
- Treat as you would have others treat you!



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“Do not seek revenge or bear a grudge against a fellow Israelite, **but love your neighbor as yourself.** I am the LORD.” Lev 19:18



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God's Law

- Scale – in everything!
- Script – as you so they
- Scope – Law & Prophets



