

DIGGING DEEPER

Series: CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?
Sermon: *Persistent Prayer*
Scripture: Luke 18:1-8



GETTING STARTED

Describe a time in your life when you prayed persistently for something.

- How did things turn out?
- Do you see the value to your persistence (even if things turned out differently than you desired)?

BIBLE STUDY

1. Read Luke 18:1-8. What is the purpose of this parable?
2. How is the judge in the parable like God? In what ways is he different from God?
3. What do you read in Psalm 13 that suggests that the Psalmist was seeking to be persistent in his pleas with the Lord?
 - What is said that reveals the faith that the Psalmist has that God will respond appropriately?
 - What can learn from the Psalmist's example?
4. What do we learn about God's attitude towards man from the following verses?
 - Ephesians 5:2
 - Romans 5:8
 - 1 John 4:10, 19
 - How should knowing this affect our prayer lives?
5. How can we "pray continually" (1 Thessalonians 5:17)?

APPLY IT

Identify something in your life that you need to continue to pray about (it may be something you have been praying about or something that you have been trying to deal with on your own up to now). How can this lesson help you to be persistent in prayer over this matter?