

## THE MORAL OF THE STORY

Persistence is GOOD, persistence in prayer if BETTER?

## **GET STARTED**

Share a time in your life when you were PERSISTANT and it paid off!

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

How deep do you want to take your Group? Choose from these questions to lead your discussion.

- 1. Take turns reading Luke 18:1-5. How did Jesus describe the judge in the story?
- 2. How are you like the judge? Are there times when you don't seem to fear God or care for other people? BE HONEST
- 3. Why was the woman in the story especially helpless? What did the woman need from the judge?
- 4. Why should we take note of how the unjust judge responded to persistence?
- 5. Read Luke 18:6-8. Why do people stop praying?
- 6. What does it mean to be persistent in our prayers? How should we respond when we do not see our prayers answered?
- 7. How can you guard against the temptation to give up praying when you do not see immediate results?
- 8. Ben mentioned some prayer tips: Don't be flashy, worry about length or be repetitious How do your prayer habits need to change?
- 9. Leaders read Matt 5:44 and Matt. 6:7- what insight does this give you about what to pray for and how to pray?
- 10. What changes in your daily routine can you make that will enable you to pray more persistently?
- 11. Baptism Celebration is Sunday Night how can we as part of this church family use "family night" (Sunday nights) to strengthen our faith and the faith of others?
- 12. Plan your OUTREACH PLAN for this semester, work out time and details now.

## FOR FURTHER READING

- Psalm 141:12, 102:17
- Memory verse: James 1:25- "But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues in it, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does."
- Let them know you will challenge them NEXT week to say the verse-have fun with it!