

- ✚ Jesus came to tell us about the Father and reveal His true heart, maybe no better than He does here in His teachings on prayer. Luke 11:9-10 somehow, we have gotten the idea that God is not generous; that He is a stingy miser who doesn't like to be bothered and doesn't want to give us His time. Yet we credit some people with generosity, but Jesus is going to qualify that thinking for us, Luke 11:11-12. An old Jewish standard "how much more" argument, the difference between bread and a stone, a fish and a serpent, an egg and scorpion. Luke 11:13 the best we have in this life is our family and our friends; if you can't go to them and find them reliable, where can you go? "You, being evil," the best we have to rely on is evil at the core; the best you've seen and experienced in this life is naturally evil. How much more are we going to be heard and responded to by our Holy, Heavenly Father?! "You, being evil, know how..." If we who can only love imperfectly, give good gifts to our children, how much more will God? If we, who are limited in wisdom, give to our children what we think is best, how much more will God who is perfectly wise give what is best?
 - ✚ Ephesians 3:20 whatever you are asking God for, it will always be something less than He's willing to give you. The Father is listening for His children and not one of them is more suited to speak to Him than the other. It's great to have others pray for you, but God provides much more, Romans 8:26-27. What more could He do? What more could He give us? Ephesians 3:20 notice where He is, He is in us! John 7:38-39 how many rivers did you ask for? You didn't, you know only enough to ask for a drink, but God doesn't give drinks, He give much more.
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God has already given you exceedingly above all you could ask or think:

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