

LUKE 11

Read either before your small group or all together at the start.

- 1. In v. 1 of chapter 11, Luke tells us that Jesus had a "certain place" where he prayed. Do you have a particular play or way that you pray? What is it like? What helps you about it? Where could you pray or in what ways could you pray that would make it easier or more accessible for you to do?
- 2. In v. 5-10, Alex walked us through the example of a prayer that Jesus gave and suggested it could be a useful template for our own prayers. As a group, go through each of those phrases and discuss what they mean and how you would pray for those things.
- 3. We are told in v. 8 that the man asking for bread from his friend received it because of his "shameless audacity." What does that mean, to have shameless audacity in prayer? What kinds of prayers do we tend to give up on?
- 4. What do you think of the statement, "we can't expect God to be more committed to our request than we are."? Why is this kind of audacious commitment in prayer difficult for us at times?
- 5. In v. 11-13, Alex talked about the Holy Spirit as the good gift that God, as a good Father, gives to us. Why would the Holy Spirit be the good gift that God wants to give us? Do you think you live as if the Holy Spirit is the precious gift that God sees him as? What could you do to change your view of and your interaction with the Holy Spirit?
- 6. Perhaps take some time at the end just praying together. Perhaps you could use the Lord's Prayer as your example and pray through each of those phrases together. Or perhaps you will want to share some of those prayers that you're most committed to and join together to pray for those requests as a group.