

PENINSULA CHRISTIAN FELLOW SHIP

You Asked For It, Pt. 8

“Did you get that?”

In **Matthew 6:9-10** He told us to pray, “Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. **Your kingdom come.** Your will be done **on earth as it is in heaven.**”

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Then He said in **Matthew 7:7-8**, “Ask, and it will be given to you; **seek**, and you will find; **knock**, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.”

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- **Asking** requests something He has promised, **we don’t have yet**
 - **Seeking** is active effort to find something **we don’t see yet**
 - **Knocking** expresses our desire for permission **to be admitted & received**
 - **Hoping** is the pleasant, confident expectation God will provide **what He has promised**
 - **None of them** are passive waiting

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Jesus first tells us to ask that **God’s heavenly kingdom will** be done here on earth

- He said **if we ask**, we will receive
- Then He describes some of what it will look like

Matthew 13:24, “The kingdom of heaven is like...”

- **A planted field** of wheat, with invasive weeds

Vs. 31, “The kingdom of heaven is like...”

- The **growth** of a tiny mustard seed

Vs. 33, “The kingdom of heaven is like...”

- The **influence** of a speck of leaven

Vs. 44, “The kingdom of heaven is like...”

- Valuable **hidden** treasure

Vs. 45, “The kingdom of heaven is like...”

- Discovery of **wisdom & entrance** to the heavenly city

Vs. 47, “The kingdom of heaven is like...”

- A dragnet that **catches everything**

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The kingdom of heaven we’re asking for **is all of these...**

- **And more**

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Then, in **Matthew 13:51** He asks, “Have you understood all these things?” They said to Him, “Yes, Lord.”

- He’s asking **people who asked for** what He just gave them
- He’s asking **if we got it**
- **Have we?** They said they did.

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Vs. 52, Then He said to them, “Therefore every scribe **instructed** concerning **the kingdom of heaven** is like a householder who **brings out of his treasure** things **new and old.**”

- So, how does His summation land?

He's asking if we possess **the truth & treasures** of the kingdom

- Truths & treasures **He just took the time to explain**
- Then He tells us **what they consist of**

I don't doubt that much of what they just heard was **new to them**

- Some of it may have been **new to us** too
- Some of it was probably **contrary** to what they thought already

Are new things God gives supposed to **replace** the former?

- Or are they intended to **add to**, making both better?

Matthew 9:16-17, "No one puts a piece of **unshrunk** cloth on an old garment; for the patch pulls away from the garment, and the tear is made worse. Nor do they put new wine into **old wineskins**, or else the wineskins break, the wine is spilled, and the wineskins are ruined. But they put new wine into new wineskins, and both are preserved."

Unshrunk = not yet prepared for application & use
Old wineskins = stiff, inflexible & unyielding

Matthew 5:17, "Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. **I did not come to destroy but to fulfill.**"

Matthew 8:2-4, And behold, a leper came and worshiped Him, saying, "Lord, if You are willing, You can make me clean." Then Jesus put out His hand and touched him, saying, "I am willing; be cleansed." Immediately his leprosy was cleansed. And Jesus said to him, "See that you tell no one; but **go your way, show yourself to the**

priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, as a testimony to them." (The old is not discarded)

II Corinthians 5:17, "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, **all things have become new.**"

Revelation 21:5, Then He who sat on the throne said, "Behold, **I make all things new.**"

- Including **old wineskins**... for those who are willing

Matthew 13:51-52, Jesus said to them, "**Have you understood all these things?**" They said to Him, "Yes, Lord." Then He said to them, "Therefore every scribe instructed concerning the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out of his treasure **things new and old.**"

What treasures do you have in the household of your life?

- A planted field of **wheat**, with **weeds**
- The **growth** of a tiny mustard seed
- The **influence** of a speck of leaven
- Valuable **hidden** treasure
- Discovery of **wisdom & entrance** to the heavenly city
- A dragnet that **catches everything**
- **Old things made new?**

He has answered your prayer (6:9-10)

- Then go your way... and **live like it**...
- Continuing to **ask, seek & knock**
- Expecting Him to **give what He has promised**
- **In His time & His way** (Not ours)

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Real life application