

WHEN GOD SAYS "NO"

(Parables of Jesus – The Friend at Midnight)

<u>Introduction</u>: This parable teaches disciples how to <u>pray</u>! The primary teaching is perseverance in prayer (*Luke 11:1-13*).

I. THE {PETITIONER}!

Note: One of the great gifts of salvation is <u>prayer!</u>

II. THE {PETITION}.

- 1. The {lateness} of this petition.
- 2. The {<u>largeness</u>} of this petition.

Note: One loaf of bread would feed an average family!

III. THE {PETITIONEE}.

*John 11:39-41 *John 11:43-44

Note: His denial was not due to His inability.

Conclusion: The theme of this parable is the power of <u>importunity!</u>