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Requests That Lead To Freedom

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I. GIVE – What we need today

      A. Humble request

      B. Focused request

      C. Rewarded request

II. FORGIVE – As we forgive like You

A. The Reality

B. The Request

C. The Regulation

III. PROTECT – From our enemies

A. Enemy #1 - Me

B. Enemy #2 - Satan

IV. PERSPECTIVE – Dad, You have got this. You have got me. You are awesome. LET'S GO!!

A. I am experiencing You daily

B. I am watching You sanctify me

C. I am protected by Your word and power

D. I am free to follow You

Life Group Study Notes
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Matthew 6:11-15

1. Have you ever compartmentalized God into a limited role like doctor, financer, judge, etc.? What is the danger of doing this?

2. Of all the things you could be called in this life, why is the term "needy" so offensive? How much of a battle is it for you to come to your heavenly father in need? Why is this a battle we must be willing to lose?

3. Why do you think Jesus is so intent on our being in "daily" relationship with our Father? What do we forfeit when we go beyond the days needs?

4. Sin (spiritual debt) causes insecurity. Are you presently trying to manage this debt or are you going regularly to your Father for forgiveness? What is roadblocking you from regular repentance?

5. God attaches the condition of "forgiveness of others" to His willingness to forgive us. Why?

6. God cannot tempt anyone so what is Jesus asking us to pray when we say "do not lead us into temptation?" How aware are you of your need of protection? How often are you asking for it? Why or why not?

7. Satan is the great spiritual enemy of believers. He is not the equal of God, but he is far greater than anything we can handle ourselves. How do we face such an enemy?

8. What freedom comes to the believer when they engage daily with their Father, model their relationships after Him and allow Him to fight their battles? What part of this pattern of prayer do you need to grow in so that your life can be released from fear?