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## Greetings.

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CHOSEN BIBLICAL New Testament SCRIPTURE-



This month's coloured attachment scripture is

MATTHEW 7:7,8

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" ASK, AND YOU WILL BE GIVEN. SEEK, AND YOU WILL FIND. KNOCK AND THE DOOR WILL BE OPENED FOR EVERONE WHO ASKS, RECEIVES. ANYONE, WHO SEEKS, FINDS. IF YOU WILL KNOCK, THE DOOR WILL OPEN "

NEVER

Prayer is fellowship with God through Jesus Christ. **Prayer is vital for communication and worship to God**. His People should never get weary of asking, seeking or knocking when bringing requests to God The Father. Unrelenting prayers are effective. **God wants His people to turn to Him in prayer, to bring their requests to Him as a Father.** Believers are commanded to do so, to petition Him for spiritual gifts, guidance, forgiveness, mercy, grace, healing, blessings and needs.

A person does receive answers to prayer, for The Father is very eager to give His children blessings and gifts of The Holy Spirit as they acknowledge Him as Their Father and depend upon Him. The Heavenly Father gives good gifts. Eternal Life is a gift that He has made available. Seek, knock and know are words for prayer. Persistent petitioners get answers, and receive blessings from the Throne of Grace, which The Father is eager to give. **Any disciple can be self-assured of God's willingness to act in response.** 

Jesus knows that earthly fathers want to give good things to their children, so how much more God, our Creator is eager to give things he has planned for His people to have. Always expect this of God The Father, for He loves His children. As believers trust in Him, He will give them contentment, and He will give them their hearts desires according to His Will, for He knows what is best and when the time is appropriate for them to receive. Qualities that lead to effective prayer are humility, obedience, righteousness, single-mindedness, and faith. Hindrances to prayer are insincerity, selfishness, unbelief, wrong inward attitudes to God and the wrong purposes of petition.

Jesus asks believers to be persistent in prayer with asking, seeking and our knocking. **Everything that a believer needs spiritually and physically has been promised to them.** The blessings and provisions of God are available to every one of His children.

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**OF MATTHEW** 

CHRIST AS SEEN IN THE BOOK

Jesus is The Messiah King, Son of David, Son of the Living God, Lion, Strength and Authority, The Promised One, Fulfiller the promise of prophets and The Law. Promised Saviour, Fulfiller of The Covenants.

**BIBLICAL KNOWLEDGE-** Did you know that Jesus Christ is the most important character in the Bible and more than any other person in History (His Story)? The Old Testament prophets foretold about His coming, His death for humankind. There are many incidences in The Old Testament that point to Jesus Christ as a type or symbol. Abel's lamb, Abraham's offering of Isaac and The Passover Lamb in Egypt all were types of Christ. The red cord that Rahab hung out of her window against the city wall of Jericho was a symbol of Christ. Joseph and his life as a person was a type of Christ especially as the rejected son and saviour of the nation.

There is a colouring in page of Joseph being sold to travelling merchants is at <a href="http://www.tne.net.au/~abdaacts/selljo.html">http://www.tne.net.au/~abdaacts/selljo.html</a>

A NOVEMBER EVENT - Constantinople hosted the fourth great council of the Christian church. The emperor called the bishops together to dispute heresies about the person of Christ and to formulate a creed that would unite Christianity. The nature of Christ was the chief theological query of the first 400 years of church history. Christendom remained unified in an accepted belief, but periodically heretics would deny the definition of Christ. The Council tackled that problem in heated debates. In the end, however, it managed to affirm that Jesus: (1) is fully God; (2) is fully human; (3) is one person; and (4) possesses two distinct natures. The Chalcedon document, one of the most important in church history. The Council affirmed that Jesus Christ is one person having both a divine and a human nature. He is one Lord. He is both God and man. And with that, the council dissolved on November 1, 451.



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**Heavenly Father**, We thank You that nothing can separate us from Your Love which is shown in Christ Jesus, Our Lord. We acclaim your Word as Your Truth that endures to all generations. **In Jesus' Name, Amen. +** 

Come unto me all you who are weary and 9 will give you rest