

HOW TO PRAY FOR RESULTS MARK 10:46-52 / 7-1-20 / WED

I. FIRST, WE SHOULD ASK IMMEDIATELY.

- A. This is what Bartimaeus did—v.47.
- B. We do not ask immediately because we don't see prayer as our first option.
- C. Prayer, though, is asking immediately not as a last resort but as a first resort—I Thess. 5:17—"Pray continually".
- D. The question "**Have you prayed about it?**" is an important question to ask ourselves and not just someone else.

II. SECOND, WE SHOULD ASK REPEATEDLY.

- A. This is what Bartimaeus did—v. 48.
- B. The verbs "ask, seek, and knock", are translated in Greek as "Keep on asking, keep on seeking and keep on knocking."
 - 1. Jesus prayed the same prayer three times in the Garden.
 - 2. Paul prayed the same prayer three times for his thorn in the flesh to be removed.
 - 3. Paul challenges us to keep praying—Eph. 1:17 "**I keep praying**". Colossians 4:2 "**Continue in prayer**".
- C. We should keep on praying the same prayer until Jesus answers us or until He makes it obvious that His answer is no.

III. THIRD, WE SHOULD ASK SPECIFICALLY.

A. This is what Bartimaeus did-v.51.

B. Bartimaeus was very specific when Jesus asked him what you want.