



# WEEK 5: PRAY WITH PERSISTENCE

## GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

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### PREPARE

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### MAIN POINT

Jesus told a parable about an unloving and impure judge who finally answered the request of someone who kept persisting and kept asking. How much more so is God, who is loving and pure, going to answer our requests when we persist in prayer?

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### LEAN IN BREAK THE ICE

**Share about a time that you almost gave up but didn't—what happened?**

**What is something that you didn't want to do but ended up surprising you?**

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### LOOK DOWN LOOK AT GOD'S WORD

Read Luke 18:1-8

1 Now he told them a parable on the need for them to pray always and not give up. 2 "There was a judge in a certain town who didn't fear God or respect people. 3 And a widow in that town kept coming to him, saying, 'Give me justice against my adversary.'

4 "For awhile he was unwilling, but later he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or respect people, 5 yet because this widow keeps pestering me, I will give her justice, so that she doesn't wear me out by her persistent coming.'"

6 Then the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. 7 Will not God grant justice to his elect who cry out to him day and night? Will he delay helping them? 8 I tell you that he will swiftly grant them justice. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

**What details of Jesus' parable stood out to you?**

**In what ways is God like this judge? In what ways is He not?**

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LOOK OUT  
IDENTIFY THE  
RELEVANCE OF GOD'S  
WORD IN THE WORLD

**When was a time someone fought for something on your behalf?**

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LOOK IN  
APPLY GOD'S WORD  
TO YOUR LIFE

**In the message, we looked at Exodus 34:6-7. Read through the passage together. What are the qualities you need to take hold of?**