Questions for Matthew 7:7-12 Sermon 12/4/15 (David Stanford)

Read Matthew 7:7-12 out loud.

- 1. What questions come to mind? Discuss these in your group.
- 2. Read Luke 18:1-5 (and Matt 7:7,8)
- 3. Talk about your prayer life.
- What hinders you praying persistently?
- What helps you to pray persistently?
- Share a significant time when God answered your prayer.
- Share when you were disappointed with the fact that God did not seem to answer your prayer. What does that do for you? Discuss.
- What conclusions do you come to?

As you consider your Kingdom Life Plan, what could be an action point for you regards prayer?

4. David shared several prayer stories about himself and other people, and also Andrew shared a little of his story.

Each of you who heard the sermon, retell one of these stories to the group. What impacted you regarding prayer from these stories?

Share one of your own stories about prayer.

5. From Matthew 7:9-11 what do you learn about God? How does that affect your life? Your prayers?

6. Why do you think Jesus speak Matthew 7:12 (the golden rule) here? What does it mean?

What helps you practise this? Hinders you?

As we practise the golden rule what can be the result?

Spend an extended time praying for each other, our church, our C2C family and the Christians around the world being killed and persecuted right now.