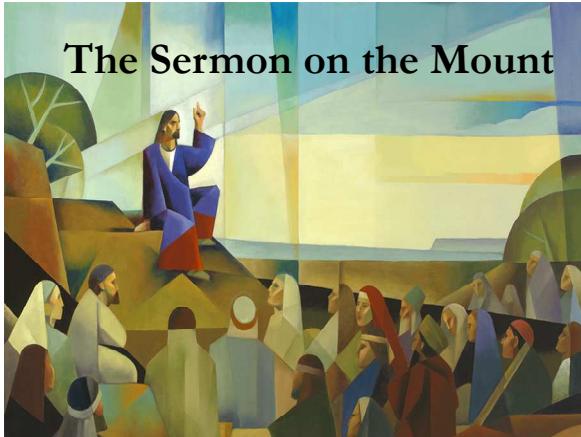


October 3, 2021

two RIVERS church



The Sermon on the Mount

Today: Matthew 7:7-11
“Our Generous God”

ALL-CHURCH PRAYER
Saturday @ 10am
October 9

Join us to pray for our ministry
and mission!

tithes and offerings

	received	budget	%
Year to date	\$ 117,349	\$ 192,450	61%
September	\$ 12,421	\$ 15,638	79%

donations

You can make on-line gifts on our web-site—even auto-pay through **PayPal**. www.tworiverschurch.net



Jr. High / Sr. High
WEDNESDAY Nights
Youth Group 6:30pm



- **Every Sunday morning at 10:15am**
we will “circle up” in the auditorium for a brief, but essential time of seeking God. Please join us!!
- **Every 2nd Saturday at 10am**
We meet here at the bldg. interceding for the people and ministries of this church.

ALL ARE INVITED TO THESE
PRAYER TIMES!!

October Birthdays

Sarah Roark	01
Darin Vestal	04
Will Hughes	13
Glenda Wolvert	16
Robert Barrow	25
Jadon Smith	25
John Womack	30
ANYONE ELSE??	

Sunday Coffee Schedule

October 3	Kramer
October 10	Meuser
October 17	Jones
October 24	Classen
October 31	Kramer

2RC—Where real people with real problems experience real love, forgiveness,
and can become real disciples in Christ Jesus!

We are on-line !!! www.tworiverschurch.net

HOME GROUPS

two rivers is not a church with home groups, we are a church of home groups

These communities are the most important thing we do at 2RC **ARE YOU CONNECTED??**

Wednesdays

- Led by Meusers (503-651-3116)

Meet at William's home—29995 S. Black Bear Rd. in Canby—7pm

Thursdays

- Led by Classens (503-819-0971)

Meet at Classen's home—2407 se Lindenbrook Ct. in Milwaukie—7pm

- Led by Kramer (503-919-1083)

Meet at Wall's home— ZOOM Meeting—7pm

Sermon Notes:

Our Generous God

Matthew 7:7-12

Rob Classen

Summary—**We are to persistently pray to God for good gifts and Jesus promises that God will give them to us – even better than any good parent would do.**

- “Keep on asking, keep on seeking, keep on knocking” - persistent, perhaps pesky, prayers!
- The promise is clear and emphatic— “God will give you what you ask”.
- 2 important words— “good gifts”. God will give us good gifts.

PRAYER— Why does God want persistent prayer?

“The Elephant in the Room” = The realities of my life don't match this passage!

* The value and need for FAITH

7 Reasons that your Prayers may be Unanswered

1. We don't have enough faith
(James 4 & 5)
2. We have unconfessed sin
(Isaiah 59:2; Psalm 66:18)
3. We don't persevere in prayer
(Matthew 7:7-12; Luke 18)
4. We are too temporal-minded
(Colossians 3:1-2)
5. Our view doesn't match God's view
(1 Corinthians 13:12; Isaiah 55:8)
6. We see God as a genie in a bottle
(Matthew 7:11)
7. We fail to see the value of suffering
(2 Corinthians 4:17; Hebrews 12:5-6)

HOME GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- You have your own late night talk show, who do you invite as your first guest?
- Read **Matthew 7:7-11**. Why does God want us to persistently pray? What do these verses tell us about God's heart? What does Jesus mean by the 2 words, “good gifts”? What would happen if God answered every one of your life prayers with a “yes”?
- Can you remember a time when you thought or said what Rob described as the “elephant in the room”? When the realities of your life didn't seem to match up with our passage?
- Look up every verse in the outline above about why prayers may not be answered. Have the group share their insights as to how the verse is helpful for this subject.

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Worship Service—**Sundays, 10:45am**
Prayer - 10:30 am
Community Time -10:15am