

QUEST 6: HOW TO TALK WITH GOD (LUKE 11:1-4)

KEY AIMS

- To learn from Jesus' prayer how to pray.
- To deepen and broaden our prayers

What You Need

- + Paper bag or box
- + Letters of the alphabet on separate strips of paper
- + Activity leaflets
- + Battery powered tea light
- + *Optional - Treasure Chest and Treasure Scroll*
- + *Optional - Spire of Light*
- + *Optional - Materials for the craft*
- + *Optional - Equipment for your chosen game*

THEME SONG

Option – play the Guardians of Ancora theme song (mp3 or video) to bring everyone together. The video can be found on the Multimedia links document in the Appendix.

OPENING ACTIVITY

Prepare a bag or box with the letters of the alphabet written out on individual slips of paper. Allow each participant in turn to draw one letter out of the bag and name one thing they are thankful for that starts with that letter. (For X, Q, etc allow for them to name something that contains that letter.) Explain that today we are going to learn more about prayer and that the ideas from our alphabet activity could also be words of thanks to God.

OPENING PRAYER

Thank you, Jesus, that you taught your friends how to pray. Thank you for wanting us to talk to you and your Father.

READ - Luke 11:1 - 4

Read the passage aloud in the way that is suitable for your family members.

Option – play the Guardians of Ancora video of this story. The video can be found on the Multimedia links document in the Appendix.

TALK ABOUT IT

Take each line of the prayer and let everyone share what the phrase means to them. What would their life and the world be like if each were fully realised?

DIG A LITTLE DEEPER

Take time to complete the activity sheets. (There is one for younger and one for older children.) When everyone has finished, talk about how this teaches us to live God's way.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR US?

What does this show us about what God is like? and the way we live? What is important to God? How do you respond? What would you change about the choices you make? *Option - Write your comments and thoughts on a Treasure Scroll. Then roll it up and place it in the Treasure Chest.*



PRAY TOGETHER

Turn the tea light on and pass it around to each participant as they pray. Begin by saying 'Thank you, Jesus, that we can always talk to you and that you teach us how to pray.' Encourage everyone to say one prayer based on a line from the Lord's Prayer. *Option - after praying you could add the tea light to the Spire of Light.*

CRAFT

Option – "Make a Prayer Card" - see below.

GAME

Option – choose a game from the games in the Appendix.

THEME SONG

Option – play the Guardians of Ancora theme song (mp3 or video) to finish your time together. The video can be found on the Multimedia links document in the Appendix.

CRAFT

MAKE A PRAYER CARD

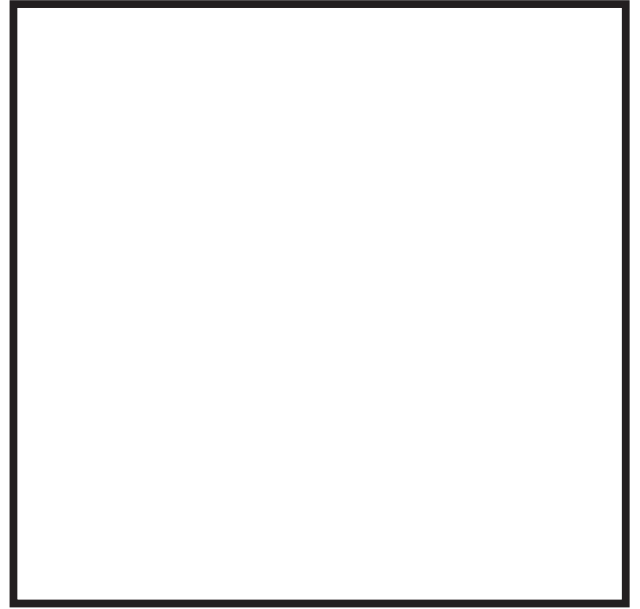
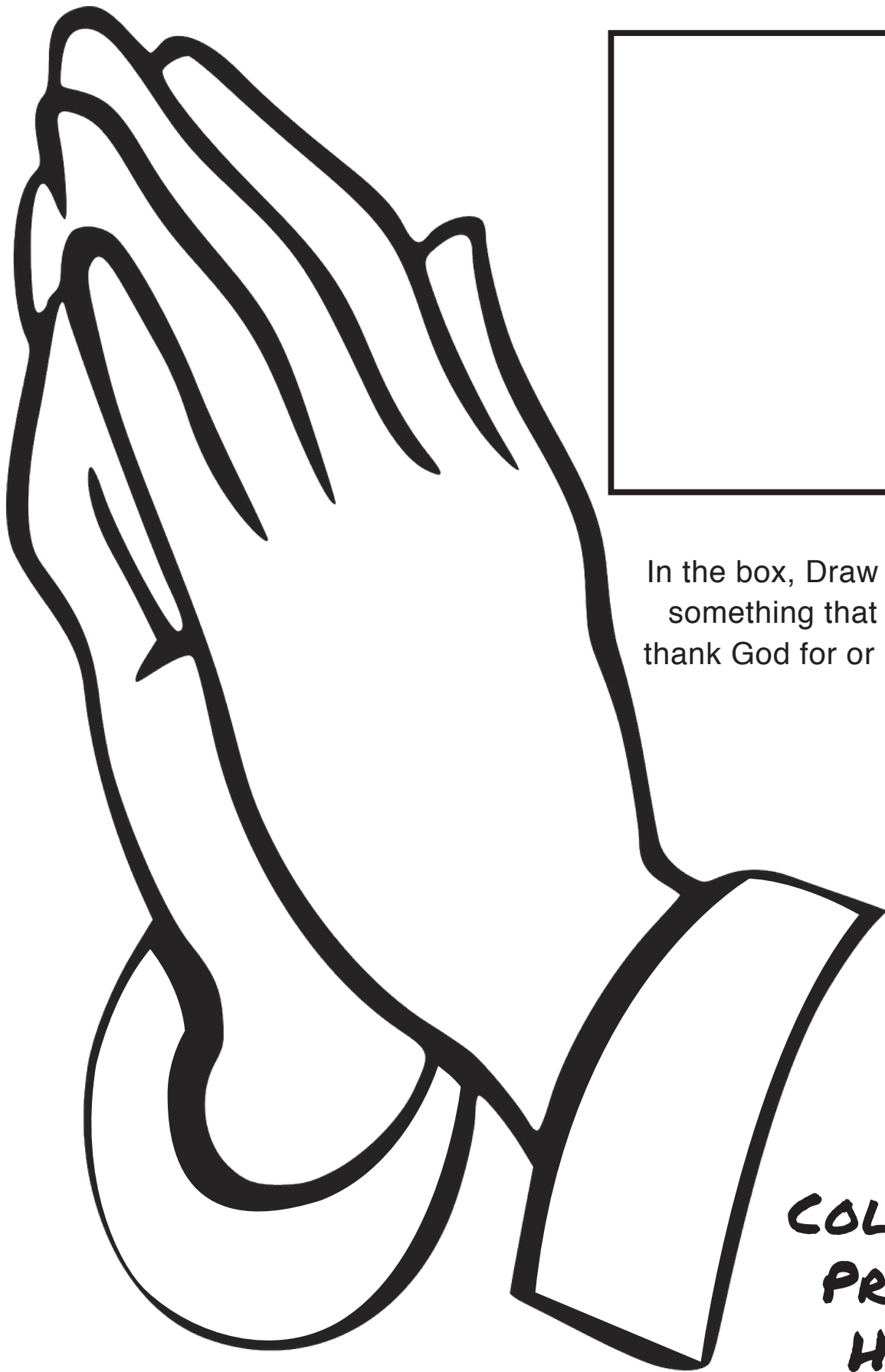
SUPPLIES

- Colored card
- Fine tipped markers
- Scissors and glue
- Bibles
- Stickers (optional)

DIRECTIONS

Allow each person to take a piece of colored card and a marker. Give out the Bibles and help everyone to find Luke 11:2–4. Everyone will copy out these verses onto their card. If you have some who aren't confident writers, print these verses on paper before the session, and then give the children the print-outs to glue onto their cards. Encourage everyone to personalize their cards with stickers or decorations. Chat together about how you might use the cards. (you might even suggest they put their personal prayers on the reverse side of the card.)





In the box, Draw a picture of something that you might thank God for or ask him for.

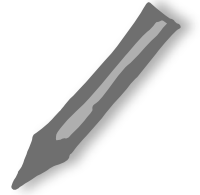
**COLOR THE
PRAYING
HANDS**

How to live God's way

When Jesus taught his friends to pray, he also showed us how to live God's way.

Cross out the extra letters to find out how!

Cross out the Xs.



FXOXLXXLOXWX

_____ **God**

Cross out the Os.

OOTROUOOOSOTO

_____ **God**

Cross out the Zs.

SOZZZRZRZZY

Say _____

*How can you do
these things in
your life?*

Cross out the Bs.

BBFORBBGIBBVE

_____ **others**



TREASURE SCROLL

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What we think it means to live God's way.

