



July 14, 2024

Stories

for **LIFE**
finding wisdom in Jesus' Parables

Welcome! We are glad that you have joined us today. **Our Vision** is to make disciples who make disciples for God's glory.

Today's sermon given by Senior Pastor Jerry Barber concludes the series, *Stories for Life: Finding Wisdom in Jesus' Parables*, with a message on The Parable of the Persistent Widow from Luke 18:1-8.

If you are our guest today, thank you for joining us.

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What's Happening:

- **Corporate Prayer Gathering:** Sundays, 9 am
- **Virtual Prayer Gathering:** Thursdays, 7:30 am
- **Vacation Bible School:** July 15-19
- **VBS Sunday & Family Fun Picnic:** Sunday, July 21—Visit the table in the lobby on your way out to RSVP. We invite the whole church family to participate next Sunday!

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PARABLE OF THE PERSISTENT WIDOW | LUKE 16:19-31

God wants us to pray always and not give up.

Context: This parable is framed by the Second Coming, as Jesus leads into it after teaching on his return in Luke 17 and concludes it by asking whether he will discover faith when he returns.

Two ways this parable encourages us to persist in prayer:

1. God is _____ the judge who answers because of the persistence of the widow (1-5).

2. God is _____ the judge who _____ answers because of the persistence of the widow (6-8).
 - a. His answers are rooted in a _____ (7-8a).

 - b. He will be looking for faith when he _____ (8b).

How to apply this to your life:

- 1) Praise God that such an awesome being would _____!
- 2) Keep on praying _____.
- 3) Keep on praying _____.