Life of Jesus (part four)

Teaching about Prayer; Casts Demon Out; Sign of Jonah; Lamp of the Body (Luke 11:1-36)

1. How did Jesus' model prayer here differ from the one in the Sermon on the Mount (Mt 6:9-13)?

2. In Jesus' illustration, why did the friend get up at midnight to help his friend?

3. Does that mean that God may be reluctant to answer prayer?

4. What did Jesus go on to say about answered prayers and fathers?

5. What did some say about Beelzebub, and how did Jesus shown that did not make sense?

6. Verses 14-23 sound like Mt 12:22-30, with slight detail differences, so many think they describe the same event. Others think it was two similar occasions because the chronology seems different. Also, what important thing did Jesus say that is recorded in Matthew but missing from Luke (Mt 12:31-37)?

7. What do you think is the point about the unclean spirit leaving and then returning with seven other spirits?

8. What did a woman say to Jesus, and how did he respond?

9. What was the sign of Jonah (see also Mt 12:38-31)?

10. Who would rise up in judgment against that generation, and in what sense would they condemn them?

11. What did Jesus say about the lamp of the body, and when did he teach the same things (Mt 5:15; 6:22-23)?