

*"Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened" Matthew 7:7-8*

We have not, because we ask not. We find not, because we seek not. It is not opened, because we knock not. Faith gives the courage and strength to trust God. We are afraid to ask or we ask in a general manner, because we do not really believe we'll receive an answer. Christ is the Door. He is the Word. I must diligently seek God, or I will not find Him. He is a treasure beyond treasure. If I never read my Bible, I can never hope to find God. The Word is the key to faith, and faith is the key to peace and joy. If I find God, what else do I need? He



is the Fountain from which the universe springs. He delights to be found by His children. He is not hiding. He waits quietly in the prayer Garden for us to knock that He might open to us the treasures of His heart, and fellowship with us as we commune together. We need never leave this Garden. We can remain in constant communion with the Father throughout each day. He is always there. He never leaves. Each knock is faithfully answered and welcomed. It is we who move away. We let the clamor outside the Garden pull us from His side, because we have not learned that it is better to sit at His feet than to serve. I serve Him best by doing what I was created to do, fellowship with Him. He gave His Life to restore the fellowship that was lost in Eden, and it is a thing most precious to Our Lord. Every hour you spend with Him will leave you wanting another. He will reveal the hidden treasures of His Word as we sit at His feet.

Never hesitate to ask,  
The strength to do the daily tasks,  
And never let your journey cease,  
Until you've found His Joy and Peace. ~CGP

Many of us pass by with good intentions, but we never knock. We mean to ask, but we never do. We get so entangled with the "urgencies" of life that we have no time left to seek. Everything will work for good if we seek Him first.

*"I love them that love me; and those that seek me early shall find me." Proverbs 8:17*