

Matthew Series

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# MATTHEW

JESUS: KING OF THE JEWS

**The Power of Persistent Prayer**

**Matthew 7:7–12**

**Matt. 7:7, “Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.**

**Matt. 7:8, “For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.**

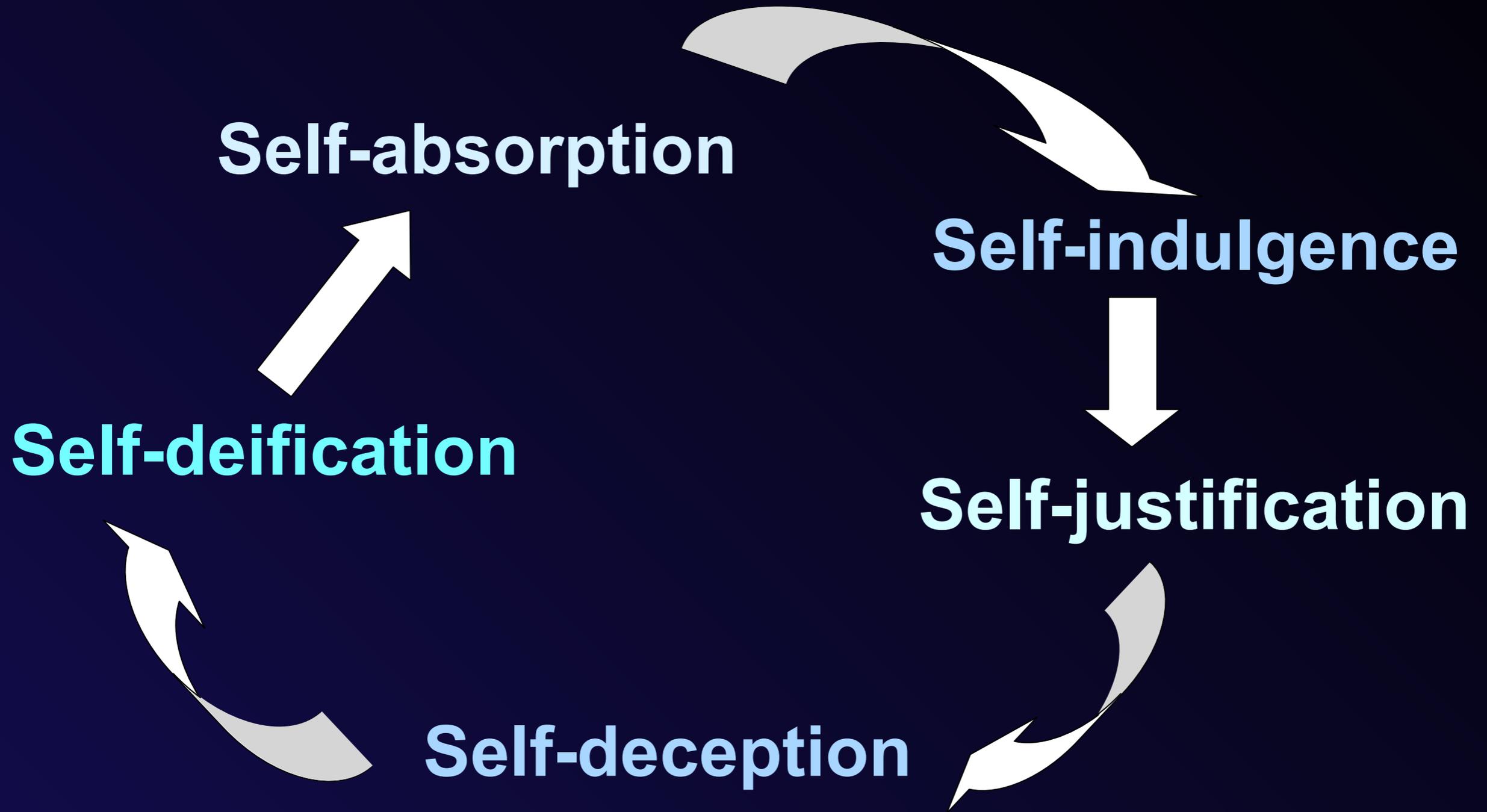
**Matt. 7:9, “Or what man is there among you who, if his son asks for bread, will give him a stone?**

**Matt. 7:10, “Or if he asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent?**

**Matt. 7:11, “If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him!**

**Matt. 7:12, “Therefore, whatever you want men to do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.”**

# Arrogance Skills



**\*\*\*Self-righteousness excludes humility  
and any expression of grace.**

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pres act  
impera 2 plur  
to ask**

**ζητέω *zēteō*  
pres act impera  
2 plur  
to seek, inquire**

**κρούω *krouō*  
pres act impera  
2 plur  
to knock**

**2 Chron. 1:7, “On that night God appeared to Solomon, and said to him, ‘Ask! What shall I give you?’ ”**

**2 Chron. 1:11, “Then God said to Solomon: ‘Because this was in your heart, and you have not asked riches or wealth or honor or the life of your enemies, nor have you asked long life—but have asked wisdom and knowledge for yourself, that you may judge My people over whom I have made you king—’ ”**

**Deut. 4:29, “But from there you will seek the LORD your God, and you will find Him if you seek Him with all your heart and with all your soul.”**

**Jer. 29:12, “Then you will call upon Me and go and pray to Me, and I will listen to you.**

**Jer. 29:13, “And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart.”**

**2 Chron. 7:14, “if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.”**

**2 Chron. 15:2, “And he went out to meet Asa, and said to him: ‘Hear me, Asa, and all Judah and Benjamin. The LORD is with you while you are with Him. If you seek Him, He will be found by you; but if you forsake Him, He will forsake you.’ ”**

**2 Chron. 15:4, “but when in their trouble they turned to the LORD God of Israel, and sought Him, He was found by them.”**

**Jer. 50:4, “ ‘In those days and in that time,’  
says the LORD, ‘The children of Israel shall  
come, they and the children of Judah  
together; with continual weeping they shall  
come, and seek the LORD their God.’ ”**

**Hos. 3:5, “Afterward the children of Israel shall return and seek the LORD their God and David their king. They shall fear the LORD and His goodness in the latter days.”**

**Jer. 33:3, “Call to Me, and I will answer you,  
and show you great and mighty things,  
which you do not know.”**

**Ezek. 7:25, “Destruction comes; They will seek peace, but there shall be none.**

**Ezek. 7:26, “Disaster will come upon disaster, and rumor will be upon rumor. Then they will seek a vision from a prophet; but the law will perish from the priest, and counsel from the elders.”**

**Jer. 11:11, “Therefore thus says the LORD:  
‘Behold, I will surely bring calamity on  
them which they will not be able to escape;  
and though they cry out to Me, I will not  
listen to them.’ ”**

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**Luke 11:13, “If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him?”**

**Ezek. 36:25, “Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean; I will cleanse you from all your filthiness and from all your idols.**

**Ezek. 36:26, “I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.**

**Ezek. 36:27, “I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them.”**

**Joel 2:28, “And it shall come to pass afterward that I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions.**

**Joel 2:29, “And also on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days.**

**Joel 2:30, “And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth: Blood and fire and pillars of smoke.**

**Joel 2:31, “The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the coming of the great and awesome day of the LORD.**

**Joel 2:32, “And it shall come to pass that whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be deliverance, as the LORD has said, among the remnant whom the LORD calls.”**

**1 John 5:14, “Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us.**

**1 John 5:15, “And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him.”**