PROPOSITION: True followers of Jesus Christ have the awesome privilege to be able to request things of Almighty God as a child makes requests of his/her beloved father.

1. The privilege of prayer

   A. Address God as Father – that’s staggering  
      Luke 11:2

   B. Trust God as Father

      1) God is willing & able (it’s no bother)  
         Luke 11:5-8

      2) We can come boldly with our requests  
         Luke 11:9-10

      3) God answers in grace  
         Luke 11:11-13

   C. Reject selfish/elitist prayer approaches  
      Luke 11:2-4

      1) Name it and claim it (or “blab it and grab it”)  
      2) God wants you prosperous  
      3) You would be healed if you had enough faith  
      4) You haven’t prayed enough; asked enough people to pray, magic words, etc.

2. How to pray - as a child to the Father

   A. Childish Prayers – self focus  
      James 4:2-3

   B. Childlikeness – trust  
      Heb 5:7-8

III. Final application(s)

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