

Questions for study of Matthew chapters 6 & 7:

St. Thomas Aquinas stated that, " The Lord's prayer is the most perfect of prayers...In it we ask, not only for all the things we can rightly desire, but also in the sequence that they should be desired." Summa Theologica II-II, 83,9. Why do you think these initial requests precede the more personal ones in Matthew 6:11-13? See CCC 2764

When Jesus spoke of the works of mercy, he spoke of prayer fasting and almsgiving. How are we encouraged to perform these works?

How does attachment to material things affect our relationship with God?

In Matthew 7:24-29, Jesus compares those who hear and obey his to a wise man who builds his house upon the rock. What is the life lesson he is trying to teach us?