

Bible Study 10-09-2024  
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"Thy Will Be Done"  
**KJV Matthew 6:9-15**

**9** *After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.*

Jesus gave His disciples instructions to guide them in prayer. After this manner: \*Do not pray to be seen of men \*Enter into your closet (private chamber) and shut the door. Post a, "do not disturb" sign if you must. \*Pray with sincerity. \* Pray in God's will. Use The Disciples Prayer as a pattern and strengthen your prayer life. Remember, the purpose of prayer is not to get what we want. It is to ask for help to accomplish Our Father's will and bring glory to His name. Our Father: The true God, is the God in heaven. He is not part of the physical universe He created, He is separate from it (transcendent). His heavenly abode is beyond any physical location that we can understand (**2 Corinthians 12:2-4**). Although we were created in His image, and have fellowship with Him, We, mere men and women who are not God, have this privilege to speak with, the God of Heaven. How we approach/address God will establish the tone for the rest of the prayer. Christians have access to God The Father in prayer on an intimate level, the level of a son or a daughter talking with a loving parent. Hallowed: He and His name is holy. We should seek to be empowered not to misuse His holy name.

**Exodus 20:7** "Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain."

**10** *Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.*

We should never ask God for anything that will dishonor His name, delay His kingdom, or disturb His will on earth.

**NIV James 4:1-3** "*What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from your desires that battle within you?*

**2** *You desire but do not have, so you kill. You covet but you cannot get what you want, so you quarrel and fight. You do not have because you do not ask God.*

**3** *When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures." 1 Corinthians 7:31 reminds us that we should pray in order to discern how God wants us to handle our blessings. He will show us how to prioritize and keep Him first in ALL that we obtain and do. We are to desire God to reign in our hearts and in our world. We should labor that God's will, His purpose, and His plans will come to fruition here and now. And we do our part of the work in this regard.*

**11** *Give us this day our daily bread.*

The pull and draw of the flesh is much too strong for us to manage gifts and blessings alone. God will help us to distinguish between our want and our need.

**1Tim 6** "*Contentment with godliness is great gain*". If we never learn contentment, we will always be dissatisfied and constantly running after more. Bread refers to food in general. In this case, it even seems to refer to all the essentials we need to live. Recognize our dependency on God. We believe that God will supply our every need. He is the ultimate source of our livelihood (**Deut. 8:18; James 1:17**) God will always provide.

**12** *And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.*

Debts or sin. Though the holy Spirit is renewing us (**Titus 3:5**), we are not perfectly without sin. We still need to recognize the reality of sin, (**1Jn 1**). We ask God's forgiveness, we promise to be forgiving of others. We do not expect to receive from God what we do not extend to others.

**13** *And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.*

We recognize both lurking sin and our inability to conquer it on our own. One who has been delivered from evil is to produce good fruit (**Gal.5**) and constantly wear the whole armour of God to be able to "*stand against the wiles of the devil*" (**Eph. 6:11**)

**14** *For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you:*

Receiving and extending forgiveness are inseparable, To experience the forgiveness of God, our hearts must be prepared to forgive others. Forgiveness of sin is essential to the church's identity, as implied in the words of our Lord at the last supper, "*This is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins*" (**Matt.26:28**). The church should be a forgiving place, encouraging both the receiving and extending of this act of grace (**Eph 4:32, Col 3:13**). When we come to the point of realizing how much God has forgiven us, our forgiveness of others will be natural and easier. We forgive as the Scripture requires us to, harboring no anger or grudges against others.

**15** *But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.*

Jesus ends with a sharp warning: If you skip step one, forgiving others, don't expect step two, the Father's forgiveness.

**Psalm 40:16-17** *Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: let such as love thy salvation say continually, The Lord be magnified.*

**17** *But I am poor and needy; yet the Lord thinketh upon me: thou art my help and my deliverer; make no tarrying, O my God.*