



# THE LORD'S PRAYER



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## A MODEL FOR PRAYER

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The Lord's Prayer is often recited in churches or at religious events, but there's so much more to this prayer. Jesus provided this model as an outline to teach us how to pray in a way that connects us to God, aligns our priorities with His, and helps us live dependently on Him. This model takes us through each part of The Lord's Prayer, showing us how to pray the way Jesus instructed.

One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When He finished, one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray..."

LUKE 11:1

"Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your Kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen."

MATTHEW 6:9 - 13 (NKJV)

## 01 CONNECT WITH THE LORD RELATIONALLY

*"Our Father in heaven"*

God isn't interested in us practising religion; instead, He desires a relationship with us. God has adopted us as His children and loves for us to call Him our Father. Starting our prayer time acknowledging our relationship with God is powerful for us and delights Him as well.

## **02 WORSHIP HIS NAME**

*"Hallowed be Your name"*

God loves when we worship Him, and there is power in His name. Here is a list of some of His names to help us worship Him specifically and personally:

God is Righteousness – He makes us clean

God is Sanctifier – He has called us and set us apart

God is Healer – He heals all our diseases

God is Banner of Victory – He defeated our enemies

God is Shepherd – He speaks to us and leads us

God is Peace – He is our peace in every storm

God is Provider – He supplies all of our needs

## **03 PRAY HIS AGENDA FIRST**

*"Your Kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven."*

Part of being a child of God is caring about what He cares about and loving who He loves. We know His will is perfect, and we acknowledge His wisdom and sovereignty when we pray His agenda first.

## **04 DEPEND ON HIM FOR EVERYTHING**

*"Give us this day our daily bread"*

God promises to supply all our needs, and He wants us to come to Him with our problems, needs and desires and to trust Him to provide.

## **05 FORGIVE AND BE FORGIVEN**

*"Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors"*

God has offered us complete forgiveness, and we can receive it at any time. When we turn away from our sins and receive His forgiveness, our hearts are more prepared to forgive others as well.

## **06 ENGAGE IN SPIRITUAL WARFARE**

*“And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.”*

Spiritual warfare can seem difficult to understand, but the Bible makes it very clear that we have an enemy who is trying to steal from us, kill us and destroy us. As we pray, we take our stand against the enemy and fight from a place of victory through Jesus as we're empowered by His Holy Spirit. There is power in God's Word, and every lie the enemy has told us can be replaced with God's truth.

## **07 EXPRESS FAITH IN GOD'S ABILITY**

*“For Yours is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever.”*

God is more than able to move in every situation, and ending our prayer time claiming His authority and power focuses our minds on the truth and hope of who He is and what He can do.

