

# The Lord's Prayer

## SERMON NOTES

Week 1 March 6, 2022

“This, Then, is How You Should Pray”

Matthew 6:9; John 17:20-21; Genesis 1:27;  
Psalm 34:3, 115:1



### I. Our Father

- A. When we \_\_\_\_\_, we do not only pray individually, we pray together.
- B. The God who created the entire cosmos, Jesus says “call him \_\_\_\_\_.”
- C. Your \_\_\_\_\_ Father is not the pattern for God’s fatherhood, but God is the pattern and example of what a father is meant to be.

### II. Who Art in Heaven

- A. “Who art in heaven,” is a statement about how \_\_\_\_\_ and glorious God is.
- B. God is as close to you as the \_\_\_\_\_ you breathe.

### III. Hallowed Be Thy Name

- A. When we pray ‘hallow be thy name,’ we are saying I want your name to be hallowed instead of \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. When we pray “hallow be thy name,” we are asking God to use \_\_\_\_\_ to make his name holy.

### *Things I Would Like to Remember About This Message*

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## INTRODUCTION

Many Christians throughout the world pray the Lord's Prayer at least once a week in worship. But too often, this prayer is said from memory as a worship ritual without knowing what the prayer really means. In this series, we are examining the Lord's Prayer to get a better understanding of its meaning so that when we pray it we will connect with God like never before. So what does the phrase "Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name" actually mean?

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### **Monday: Matthew 6:5-15, Luke 11:1-4**

The Lord's Prayer concisely covered a wide range of topics, from the lofty ("Bring in your kingdom") to the everyday ("Give us the bread we need for today"). It was a model prayer God's people could weave into their lives. Are there subjects or wishes you tend to avoid praying about, for fear God isn't interested or that God might disapprove of your concern? How secure are you in talking to God in prayer about everything that matters to you?

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### **Tuesday: John 17:11, 13-21; Ephesians 4:1-6**

In a world that tends to focus on our differences, how can you better open your heart to let the Holy Spirit create the type of supernatural oneness with other believers for which Jesus prayed? How easy or hard is it for you to live out Ephesians' claim that you share "one faith" with people who worship differently than you, baptize differently, or read the Bible differently?

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### **Wednesday: Luke 11:11-12, 13:33-35**

Were both of your parents equally nurturing and trustworthy? If not, which of them had more of the qualities that made you feel safe and cared for? In what ways can taking your needs, hurts and concerns to the heavenly parent to whom Jesus addressed the Lord's Prayer help you to grow beyond any painful gaps in the human parenting you received?

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### **Thursday: Mark 14:35-36, Romans 8:14-17**

How does Jesus' use of an intimate (though respectful) family term to address God challenge the idea that we must be rigidly formal when we pray?

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### **Friday: Psalm 139:7-12, Acts 17:24-28**

Christians don't just believe ideas—we believe in Someone. The Hebrew psalmist and the apostle Paul, speaking to philosophers in Athens centuries later, described the kind of personal God they believed in and trusted. What helps you to place your faith and trust in God's life-giving, loving person, not just a vague, abstract force?

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## MOVING FORWARD

The phrase "Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name" reminds us that God is big and glorious and created the cosmos, but at the same time Jesus says we can address him as a parent and he is as close as the air that we breath. In the last part of this phrase, we are asking for God's name to be hallowed, not ours. And we are asking God to hallow his name through us. This week include the Lord's Prayer in your prayer time. Focus on what you learned about the first phrase during your prayer.

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*Answers to the sermon notes: IA) pray, B) dad, C) earthly. IIA) big, B) air. IIC) mine, B) me*