

# Praying The Lord's Prayer - Matthew 6:9-13

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*“Pray, then, in this way:  
‘Our Father who is 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 also have forgiven our debtors.  
And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
[For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.]’*

Christ has given us prayer. Not a technique, formula, a chant, or a recipe. He gave us prayer. It is short and simple, but it contains all the principles of prayer that is needed. This prayer can be said in less than a minute but is so comprehensive:

1. The first segment (daily bread) relates to \_\_\_\_\_ needs.
2. The second segment (forgiveness) pertains to \_\_\_\_\_ needs.
3. The third segment (temptation) refers to \_\_\_\_\_ needs.

## I. “Our Father Who Art In Heaven”

Father! The world has never seen God as a Father. Even the Jews saw the Fatherhood of God as applied to the \_\_\_\_\_. The idea of God being their personal Father never was considered. Jesus revealed God as a Father (Matthew 7:11-12; Luke 11:11-13).

## II. “Thy Kingdom Come. Thy Will Be Done.”

Prayer is more than asking God to bless our will – it is actually us reporting to duty to do His will. We must learn to pray, “Thy will be done,” not “Thy will be changed.” Prayer is aiming to please God not self.

Christ literally had a \_\_\_\_\_ – to do the will of God.

## III. “Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread”

Jesus switches from the will of God to earthly bread. What a Savior! What a prayer! With God nothing is common. The bread mentioned was daily. Jesus did not pray for tomorrows bread. It was bread and not \_\_\_\_\_.

## IV. “Forgive Us Our Debts”

Everyone who needs daily bread needs daily forgiveness. What is the secret to forgiveness? We must see that God has forgiven us! I must learn to forgive you.