

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**



OUR FATHER  
IN HEAVEN

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BE YOUR NAME

## OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN

### ***What does this mean?***

Here God encourages us to believe that he is truly our Father and we are his children.

We therefore are to pray to him with complete confidence just as children speak to their loving father.

## HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME

### ***What does this mean?***

God's name certainly is holy in itself, but we ask in this prayer that we may keep it holy.

### ***When does this happen?***

God's name is hallowed whenever his Word is taught in its truth and purity and we as children of God live in harmony with it. Help us to do this, heavenly Father!

But anyone who teaches or lives contrary to the Word of God dishonors God's name among us. Keep us from doing this, heavenly Father!

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YOUR  
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YOUR WILL BE DONE  
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## YOUR KINGDOM COME

### ***What does this mean?***

God's kingdom comes indeed without our praying for it, but we ask in this prayer that it may come also to us.

### ***When does this happen?***

God's kingdom comes when our heavenly Father gives us his Holy Spirit, so that by his grace we believe his holy Word and live a godly life on earth now and in heaven forever.

## YOUR WILL BE DONE ON EARTH AS IN HEAVEN

### ***What does this mean?***

The good and gracious will of God is surely done without our prayer, but we ask in this prayer that it may be done also among us.

### ***When does this happen?***

God's will is done when he hinders and defeats every evil scheme and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful self, which would prevent us from keeping his name holy and would oppose the coming of his kingdom. And his will is done when he strengthens our faith and keeps us firm in his Word as long as we live.

This is his gracious and good will.

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GIVE US TODAY  
OUR DAILY BREAD

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FORGIVE US OUR SINS  
AS WE FORGIVE  
THOSE WHO SIN  
AGAINST US

## GIVE US TODAY OUR DAILY BREAD

### ***What does this mean?***

God gives daily bread, even without our prayer, to all people, though sinful, but we ask in this prayer that he will help us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanks.

### ***What is meant by "daily bread"?***

Daily bread includes everything needed for this life, such as food and clothing, home and property, work and income, a devoted family, an orderly community, good government, favourable weather, peace and health, a good name, and true friends and neighbours.

## FORGIVE US OUR SINS AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO SIN AGAINST US

### ***What does this mean?***

We ask in this prayer that our Father in heaven would not hold our sins against us and because of them refuse to hear our prayer.

And we pray that he would give us everything by grace, for we sin every day and deserve nothing but punishment.

So we on our part will heartily forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us.

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BUT DELIVER US  
FROM EVIL

## LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION

### ***What does this mean?***

God tempts no one to sin, but we ask in this prayer that God would watch over us and keep us so that the devil, the world, and our sinful self may not deceive us and draw us into false belief, despair, and other great and shameful sins.

And we pray that even though we are so tempted we may still win the final victory.

## BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL

### ***What does this mean?***

We ask in this inclusive prayer that our heavenly Father would save us from every evil to body and soul, and at our last hour would mercifully take us from the troubles of this world to himself in heaven.

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THE POWER  
AND THE GLORY  
ARE YOURS NOW  
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***What does "Amen" mean?***

Amen means Yes, it shall be so.

We say Amen because we are certain that such petitions are pleasing to our Father in heaven and are heard by him.

For he himself has commanded us to pray in this way and has promised to hear us.

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When Jesus' disciples asked him to teach them to pray, this prayer was his response (Luke 11:1-4 and Matthew 6:5-14). Because we have this prayer in Jesus' own words, it is the basis of our prayer relationship with God.

***1. What happens to us when we ask God for things?***

God gives them to us, although he sometimes gives them in ways we don't understand, and often at a different time from when we expect them.

***2. How does God love us?***

God loves us like a loving father, who gives his children what they need.

***3. What concerns do we take to God in prayer?***

We take everything to God in prayer, from the smallest parts of daily life to our greatest worries and concerns.