The Sermon On The Mount • The Lord's Prayer Matthew 6:7-13

Matthew 5:3 "Blessed are the **poor in spirit**, for theirs **is the kingdom of heaven.**

Matthew 5:20 For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 6:5 "And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, **that they may be seen by others.** Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward.

Matthew 6:7 "And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words.

Matthew 6:8 **Do not be like them**, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

"Principle: we must not presume that God will provide for us apart from our prayers what he has ordained to provide for us only through our prayers. Our petitions are the means by which God has purposed to give us what he already knows we need. There is something important to God about our asking him for things he knows we need. It would seem, on the surface, to be quicker and more efficient, and obviously less strenuous on all concerned, if God were simply to bypass prayer and get on with the giving! But that is not his way. He finds particular honor and glory in being the One to whom we must humbly come to receive that which we need."

Sam Storms

"God does not ask us to tell him our needs that he may learn about them, but in order that we may be capable of receiving what he is preparing to give." **Augustine**

"Prayer is either a sheer illusion or a personal contact between embryonic, incomplete persons (ourselves) and the utterly concrete Person. Prayer in the sense of petition, asking for things, is a small part of it; confession and penitence are its threshold, adoration its sanctuary, the presence and vision and enjoyment of God its bread and wine. In it God shows Himself to us. That He answers prayers is a corollary – not necessarily the most important one – from that revelation. What He does is learned from what He is."

C.S. Lewis

Matthew 6:9-13 Pray then like this:

"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 also have forgiven our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Pray then like this:

"Our Father"

Galatians 4:6 And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!"

"in heaven"

Hebrews 11:13 These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth.

John 17:16 **They are not of the world**, just as I am not of the world.

"hallowed be your name"

"[The petition] is framed not so much in terms of what must happen to us for the prayer to be fulfilled, as in terms of the goal itself. The highest goal is not that we be made holy; the highest goal is rather that God's name be hallowed. This removes man from the center of the picture, and gives that place to God alone. Man --- even transformed man --- is not the chief goal of this universe."

D.A. Carson

Hebrews 10:9 then he added, "**Behold, I have come to do your will.**" He does away with the first in order to establish the second.

Hebrews 10:10 And by that will we have been <u>sanctified</u> through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

1Corinthians 6:11 And such were some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

"Your kingdom come"

basileia: a kingdom, realm, the region or country governed by a king; kingly power, authority, dominion, reign; royal dignity, the title and honor of king;

Luke 17:20 Being asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, he answered them, "The kingdom of God is not coming in ways that can be observed,

Luke 17:21 nor will they say, 'Look, here it is!' or 'There!' for **behold**, **the kingdom of God is in the midst of you.**'

Colossians 1:12 giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

Colossians 1:13 He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son,

Colossians 1:14 in whom we have **redemption**, the forgiveness of sins.

"your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven"

Revelation 4:2 At once I was in the Spirit, and behold, a throne stood in heaven, with one seated on the throne.

Ephesians 1:9 making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ

Ephesians 1:10 as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

Revelation 11:15 Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever."

Revelation 21:5 And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."

"Give us this day our daily bread"

1Timothy 6:7 for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world.

1Corinthians 4:7 For who sees anything different in you? What do you have that you did not receive? If then you received it, why do you boast as if you did not receive it?

Philippians 4:11 Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content.

"forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors"

Matthew 18:33 And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?'

"lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil"

John 17:15 I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one.

2Timothy 4:18 The Lord will **rescue me** from every evil deed and **bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom.** To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

2Timothy 4:6 For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come.

God's Name
God's Reign
God's Will
Our Provision
Our Pardon
Our Protection

To Him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.