



Lesson #9: Life Lessons About Prayer (6:5-14)

These are familiar words that have often been called “The Lord’s Prayer” but are perhaps better called “The _____ Prayer.” This prayer is not just a prayer to recite. It is a model prayer meant to teach us the way Christians must pray. The disciples didn’t ask Jesus to teach them *a* prayer, they asked Him to teach them _____ to pray. It is like a skeleton prayer to which believers are to flesh out in their own words praise, adoration, confession, petition, and intercession.

We tend to either pray selfishly or not at all. This model prayer from the Master teaches us to pray in a manner that brings God glory.

You need to pray ...

_____ WHO YOU ARE ADDRESSING (v. 9)

A. True prayer adores God’s _____
It is likely that Jesus used the word “_____” when He began this prayer which is equivalent to our term “_____.” It carries with it a very intimate and personal connotation. Jesus was teaching that we adore God’s _____

B. True prayer admires God’s _____
God is to be _____ and _____. To “hallow” God’s name is to attribute to God the holiness that is already His. To honor, glorify, and obey him singularly. Notice our Lord’s first priority: his first concern is for the _____ of God.

You need to pray ...

_____ HOW GOD IS _____ (v. 10)

A. Anticipating God’s _____
To pray “*Thy Kingdom come*” is to pray that the plan and program of God be fulfilled. The Greek phrase is literally translated “*Let thy kingdom come _____!*” Since the King is inseparable with His Kingdom, praying this was praying for Christ’s return.

B. _____ God’s plan
So how did Jesus bring His Kingdom? He did so by bringing people into _____ to the Father’s will. That second phrase, then, is of utmost importance, “*Thy will be done.*”

You need to pray ...

RESPONDING WITH THE RIGHT KIND OF _____ (v. 11-13a)

Prayer is not trying to get God to agree with us.

A. Ask for _____ provision (v. 11)
Notice that out of the many petitions that are made in this model prayer this is the only one that refers to _____ matters. We learn in this prayer that we are to give more attention to spiritual matters than material and bodily needs.

B. Ask for _____ protection (v. 12-13a)
Man’s greatest need is for _____ and _____. The model prayer demonstrates both confession and repentance.

You need to pray ...

RECIPROCATING _____ BACK TO GOD IN ADORATION (v. 13b)

The end of this model prayer is often called the “_____.”

Jesus explains in this prayer not only the _____ of our prayers but also how to _____ our prayers. We conclude by affirming that all things belong to God (“*Thine is the Kingdoms*”) and affirming once again His power (“*and the power*”). We don’t pray to an impotent God but to an _____ God!

CONCLUDING THOUGHTS

It’s amazing to think that in fewer than _____ words we find a masterpiece from the infinite mind of God. He is the only one that can compress every conceivable element of prayer into such a brief and simple form. The Lord’s Prayer (or “Disciples Prayer”) is easy enough for a _____ to memorize and understand and yet deep enough for the most mature believer to not hardly be able to fully comprehend.

There is no doubt that there is a great void in the Church when it comes to prayer. In some measure we all must confess that of all our spiritual duties, _____ is most difficult. We could come up with all kinds of excuses but the truth is that Jesus Christ Himself is the master teacher and teaches us in this very text _____ to pray.

You need to learn how to pray as Jesus has instructed you and you need to put that lesson from Jesus into practice.