

***We have discussed why we pray; we now turn our attention to discovering how we pray. To do so, we will start with the model prayer given to us by Jesus Himself.***

➤ ***The Lord's Prayer***

*Matthew 6:5-15 (NKJV)*

*5 "And when you pray, you shall not be like the hypocrites. For they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the corners of the streets, that they may be seen by men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. 6 But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly. 7 And when you pray, do not use vain repetitions as the heathen do. For they think that they will be heard for their many words.*

*8 "Therefore do not be like them. For your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him. 9 In this manner, therefore, pray:*

*Our Father in heaven,*

*Hallowed be Your name.*

*10 Your kingdom come.*

*Your will be done*

*On earth as it is in heaven.*

*11 Give us this day our daily bread.*

*12 And forgive us our debts,*

*As we forgive our debtors.*

*13 And do not lead us into temptation,*

*But deliver us from the evil one.*

*For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

*14 "For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you.*

*15 But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.*

*Luke 11:1-4 (NKJV)*

*1 Now it came to pass, as He was praying in a certain place, when He ceased, that one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples."*

*2 So He said to them, "When you pray, say:*

*Our Father in heaven,*

*Hallowed be Your name.*

*Your kingdom come.*

*Your will be done  
On earth as it is in heaven.  
3 Give us day by day our daily bread.  
4 And forgive us our sins,  
For we also forgive everyone who is indebted to us.  
And do not lead us into temptation,  
But deliver us from the evil one."*

➤ **Eleven Aspects of the Lord's Prayer**

1. ***Our Father***

- The very first \_\_\_\_\_ with God is about relationship, intimacy, and closeness.
- It declares how \_\_\_\_\_ we are in relation to the to the God to whom we are praying.

2. ***in heaven,***

- We are praying to a God who is \_\_\_\_\_ all earthly matters.
- He has the ability to meet our needs because He is \_\_\_\_\_ than our needs – He is God in heaven.

3. ***Hallowed be Your name.***

- Before we present any needs we first \_\_\_\_\_ God.
- Hallowed: from the Greek *hagiazō* (hag-ee-ad'-zo); to make ceremonially \_\_\_\_\_; to mentally \_\_\_\_\_.
- We are telling God that we declare His name (and person) to be more holy than anything else.

4. ***Your kingdom come.***

- After worshipping God, we now pray for the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of His kingdom.

5. ***Your will be done, On earth as it is in heaven.***

- Since God's will is perfectly carried out in heaven, as His children, we pray that it will be perfectly carried out on the earth.
- This is a prayer of \_\_\_\_\_.
- This is a prayer for \_\_\_\_\_ over God's enemies.
- This is a prayer for God to be the \_\_\_\_\_ of His church, for Him to be in \_\_\_\_\_.

6. ***Give us this day our daily bread.***

- \_\_\_\_\_ establishing the special-ness of our relationship, \_\_\_\_\_ confessing that He is God above all things, \_\_\_\_\_ exalting His name, \_\_\_\_\_ praying for the advancing of His kingdom, \_\_\_\_\_ submitting to God's perfect will, \_\_\_\_\_ we pray for \_\_\_\_\_.
- Notice the words, ***our daily bread***. In God's mind, the bread is already our property. We are just reminding God that we recognize Him as the source of our blessing and provision.

7. ***And forgive us our debts, (Luke: forgive us our sins,)***

- Self-examination, repentance, and cleansing prayers are to be a \_\_\_\_\_ part of our prayer life.

8. ***As we forgive our debtors. (Luke: For we also forgive everyone who is indebted to us.)***

- We have a \_\_\_\_\_ to show to others the same mercy God has shown to us.

9. ***And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one.***

- The devil cannot make you sin; He can only \_\_\_\_\_ (or entice) you to sin.
- The answer to sin is simple – don't even allow yourself to be \_\_\_\_\_.

- This prayer is asking God to \_\_\_\_\_ your steps so that you don't walk a path that will make it \_\_\_\_\_ for you to fail.
- This prayer is asking God to help you \_\_\_\_\_ your life with His word and will so that there is \_\_\_\_\_ for sin in your life.

**10. *For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.***

- It's not \_\_\_\_\_ kingdom, it's God's.
- It's not \_\_\_\_\_ power (ability, talent), it's God's.
- It's not your place to take any of the credit - it \_\_\_\_\_ to God. All of the glory is His and His alone forever!

**11. *Amen.***

- \_\_\_\_\_.
- A statement of \_\_\_\_\_ that God is going to do what you have asked Him to do.

➤ **This prayer is a great example for us to follow:**

*Matthew 6:9*

*In this manner, therefore, pray...*

➤ **It is perfectly appropriate to quote the words of this prayer:**

*Luke 11:2*

*When you pray, say...*

- **Homework Assignment:** For the next week, read through the Lord's prayer daily. Take your time and focus on each point of the prayer; after reading it, pray the eleven facets of the prayer in order.