

This Study Guide is based on a sermon by Dr. Joshua Mack. You will find the link to the sermon here.

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Luke 11:1-4

Swahili

Ikawa alipokuwa mahali fulani akiomba, alipokwisha, mmoja katika wanafunzi wake alimwambia, Bwana, tufundishe sisi kusali, kama vile Yohana alivyowafundisha wanafunzi wake. Akawaambia, Msalipo, semeni, Baba [yetu uliye mbinguni], Jina lako litakaswe, Ufalme wako uje, [Mapenzi yako yatimizwe, hapa duniani kama huko mbinguni.] Utupe siku kwa siku riziki yetu. Utusamehe dhambi zetu, kwa kuwa sisi nasi tunamsamehe kila tumwiaye. Na usitutie majaribuni [lakini tuokoe na yule mwovu].

Zulu

Kwathi ekhuleka endaweni ethile, esegcinile, omunye wabafundi bakhe wathi kuye: “Nkosi, sifundise ukukhuleka, njengokuba uJohane naye wabafundisa abafundi bakhe.” Wayesethi kubo: “Nxaxa nikhuleka, anothi: “ ‘Baba wethu osezulwini, malingcweliswe igama lakho; mawufike umbuso wakho; mayenziwe intando yakho emhlabeni njengasezulwini; usiphe isinkwa sethu sezinsuku zonke imihla ngemihla; usithethelele izono zethu, ngokuba nathi sibathethelela bonke abanecala kithi; ungasingenisi ekulingweni, kodwa usikhulule kokubi.’ ”

Shona

Mumwe musu Jesu akanga achinyengetera ari pane imwe nzvimbo. Akati apedza, mumwe wavadzidzi vake akati kwaari, “Ishe, tidzidzisei kunyengetera, saJohani akadzidzisa vadzidzi vake.” Iye akati kwavari, “Kana muchinyengetera, muti: “ ‘Baba vedu vari kudenga, zita renyu ngarikudzwe noutsvene. Umambo hwenyu ngahuuye. Kuda kwenyu ngakuitwe panyika sezvinoitwa kudenga. Tipei zuva nezuva chingwa chedu chamazuva namazuva. Uye mutiregerere zvivi zvedu; nokuti nesuwo tinoregerera vose vanotitadzira. Tibatsirei kuti tisapinda mukuedzwa; uye mutinunure pane zvakaipa.’ ”

Afrikaans

Jesus was êrens op 'n plek besig om te bid. Toe Hy klaar was, sê een van sy dissipels vir Hom: “Here, leer ons bid, soos Johannes ook sy volgelinge geleer het.” En Hy sê vir hulle: “Wanneer julle bid, sê dan: “Vader, laat u Naam geheilig word; laat u koninkryk kom. Gee ons elke dag ons daaglikse brood; en vergeef ons ons sondes, want ons vergewe ook elkeen wat teen ons oortree; en laat ons nie in versoeking kom nie.”

Sermon Summary:

Over the next several weeks, we are going to be looking at what Jesus teaches about prayer. We talked this Sunday about the what it means to say and really mean, "Give us this day our daily bread."

Basic Discussion Questions:

1. Think about your prayer life. What sorts of things do you usually talk to God about and ask Him for?
2. Let's read Luke 11:1-4. (Does anyone have these verses memorized yet?)
3. What are some of the different ways in the Bible God encourages us to present our requests to Him?
4. What are some examples in Scripture of answered prayer? What are some examples from your own life where God answered prayer?
5. Even though we are encouraged in so many different ways to present our requests to God, it is possible to ask wrongly. Read James 4:3,4. What is wrong with the way these people were making requests of God?
6. What we ask of God, shows what we think is most important. If you look at the requests you have been making of God over the past several weeks, what do they reveal about what you believe is important in life?
7. What we ask of God should flow out of what we believe about God and the gospel. What three things do we say we believe when we pray the first three statements found in the Lord's prayer?
8. If you believe all this, what does Jesus say you should ask for?
9. What is our daily bread? What does Jesus mean by this statement?
10. Compare what Jesus tells us to pray for with what an Egyptian king once prayed:

"And thou shalt give me health, life and old age, a long reign, strength to all my limbs; sight to my eyes, hearing to my ears and pleasure to my heart daily. And thou shalt give me to eat to satiety, and thou shalt give me to drink to drunkenness, and thou shalt promote my seed to be kings in this country to eternity and for ever. And thou shalt make me content every day, thou shalt listen to my voice in whatever I shall say to thee and grant me very high Nile floods to furnish thy offerings and to furnish the offerings of the gods and goddesses...."

What difference stands out to you?
11. What are some reasons Christians are content asking God for their daily bread?
12. Why do you think God wants us to depend on Him daily for our most basic provisions?
13. How has our discussion encouraged or challenged you today?

Prayer Guide

Instead of giving you a personal study guide this week, I am going to call on you to pray. Obviously, pray for your daily needs, but also pray for the needs of others in your gospel community group. (After all, Jesus doesn't simply say, give me this day my daily bread, but instead, give us this day our daily bread.) Would you set aside 10 minutes a day this week to make requests of God for yourself and others?

To help you do that, I am going to give you several categories of requests you can pray for. Before you go to prayer this week, please spend some time answering the following questions, and using it to help you intercede with God.

1. What hope do you have as you come to God and pray? (Write down a verse or promise of God that is motivating you to make requests of God.)
2. Who are you praying for?
3. What do you/they need?
4. Why do you/they need it? (Here I would like you to try to give biblical reasons why they need that prayer answered.)
5. Is there anything else you think God might say you/they need?
6. Is there anything you could do to be used by God as answer to these prayers?