Lesson 27

Jesus Teaches Us to Pray, Part 1

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1. What is the Lord's prayer?

The Lord's prayer is the prayer Jesus taught his disciples when they asked him to teach them to pray.

Matthew 6:9–13 Jesus said, "Pray then like this:

'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 also have forgiven our debtors.

[13] And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.'"

2. To whom should we pray?

We should pray to God, our Father who dwells in heaven.

3. What do we pray for in the first request?

We pray for God's name to be "hallowed," or treated as holy. This petition asks God that we and all people would treat him as he truly is—holy, exalted, majestic, worthy of our obedience, honor, praise and thanks.

4. What do we pray for in the second request?

We pray that we and all people will submit to the rule of God's king, Jesus Christ—that we listen to his Word, submit to his commands, and seek to live our lives as he showed us in the gospels.

5. What do we pray for in the third request?

We pray that we and all people will live their lives according to God's plans and commands, just as the angels in heaven follow their Lord.

Take Words with You: Memorize Matthew 6:9-13