

to give God glory with your very life. By your words and deeds you are to make the name of Jesus known!

Discussion Questions

- What are some ways in which you are to glorify God with your life?
- Why do you need to believe in Jesus in order to glorify God as you were made to?

Day 5 – Review Q&A and recite memory verse

We come to our last day of our study through the Baptist Catechism. We have been looking at the liturgical ending to the Lord's Prayer. Here we ascribe to God *the kingdom, and the power, and the glory*. The prayer concludes with the final words, *forever, and amen*. In the declaration *forever* we are reminded that God's character and authority doesn't change. The kingdom he is establishing will never end. The angel Gabriel says as much to Mary in Luke 1:33 *...of his kingdom there will be no end*. Likewise, Jesus's exercise of his power will be complete and forever. In Revelation 22 we see a picture of the New Heavens and the New Earth. Here Jesus sits on his throne and rules his people for eternity. Associated with this same picture we see that God's glory is forever. Jesus sits on the throne and there is no need for a sun. The glory of God shines forth from his face and gives light to all of creation. This is the same glory, the same light, that the Son of God has had from eternity past. John 17:5 *And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed*. The conclusion of the Lord's Prayer ends with the single word, *Amen*. This word has the meaning 'so let it be'. When we say 'amen' we are standing in full agreement with all we have prayed. We desire and believe that God will do it all!

Discussion Questions

- What do you think about when you say 'amen'. Is it just a filler word or does it have significance in your prayers?
- Pray the Lord's Prayer together

B a p t i s t C a t e c h i s m

Family Worship Guide



West Oaks Baptist Church

(in preparation for Sunday, January 25th, 2026)

Baptist Catechism Question #114

Q: What does the conclusion of the Lord's prayer teach?

A: *The conclusion of the Lord's prayer, which is, For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen, teacheth us to take our encouragement in prayer from God only, and in our prayers to praise Him, ascribing kingdom, power, and glory, to Him. And in testimony of our desire and assurance to be heard, we say, Amen.*

Suggested Memory Verse

Luke 1:32-33 He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.
(ESV)

Day 1 – Review Q&A and recite memory verse

We come this week to the final question of the Baptist Catechism! We have been walking through the Lord's Prayer and last week we finished the sixth petition. In some Bibles, such as the King James translation, the sixth petition is followed by a doxology, *For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.* Most modern translations do not include this statement in Matthew 6 because it is commonly believed that it was not part of the original gospel penned by the Apostle. The earliest manuscripts we have do not include this doxological ending to the prayer. It seems that the early church made a practice of praying the Lord's Prayer, and in their liturgy they added a concluding statement. This might be akin to the doxology that we commonly sing at the end of our worship services, *Praise God from whom all blessings flow...* This common statement was then likely added into new copies of the Bible by scribes who had memorized the statement and repeated it so regularly that they assumed it was part of the original. While the liturgical ending of the Lord's Prayer is not scripture, that doesn't mean it is not true or useful. Just as the Doxology we sing is good and useful, the liturgical ending of the Lord's Prayer is true, good, and useful for us today. We will spend this week exploring the truths so wonderfully communicated therein.

Discussion Questions

- If you have learned the Lord's Prayer in the past, did you learn the ending? Do you think the early Christians were wrong to 'add' this to the Lord's Prayer?
- What are some truths that the liturgical ending to the Lord's Prayer expounds?

Day 2 – Review Q&A and recite memory verse

This week we continue to look at the liturgical ending of the Lord's Prayer. In praying this prayer we ascribe to God three things. They are kingdom, power, and glory. The beginning of the Lord's Prayer has already brought up the reality of the Kingdom of God. In the second petition we prayed, *your kingdom come.* That which we prayed for at the beginning we note is a reality in the end of the prayer. While we pray for God's kingdom to come, we remember that Jesus himself came proclaiming in Mark 1:15 "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel." Jesus came proclaiming the coming of the kingdom. This kingdom is both coming and it is already here. In many of the parables Jesus communicates this already, not yet character to his kingdom. If you are a Christian you already experience the reality of Jesus's kingdom. You experience this when he gives you freedom from your sins, when he fills you with his Spirit, when he teaches you to love his word and his people. Yet, you have not yet experienced the fullness of the kingdom. One day Jesus will return, he will put away all sin and death, he will make a new heavens and a new earth, and he will spend eternity with you face-to-face. That forever kingdom is the one we long for day by day.

Discussion Questions

- What are some ways in which you experience the kingdom of God now?
- What do you look forward to when Jesus returns and brings his kingdom in its fullness?

Day 3 – Review Q&A and recite memory verse

In the liturgical ending to the Lord's Prayer we ascribe to God *the kingdom, the power, and the glory.* Yesterday we talked about the kingdom of God. It is both already present for us who believe, and not yet fully consummated. The kingdom will come with finality when Jesus returns. Today we consider God's power. When we say *Thine is the power,* we are both remembering God's acts of power, and we are trusting in his powerful hand for our deliverance. When we think of God's power it is good to remember his amazing acts that he has performed. He worked with power when he spoke in the beginning and created all things of nothing. He worked with power in ancient times when he brought a flood of judgement on the whole earth. He also showed his power in his works of salvation. He saved Noah and his family from the flood, and the people of Israel from slavery in Egypt. Most amazingly, he has saved his people from their sins by offering Jesus Christ to die on the cross. We must regularly bring these works of power to mind as we seek to worship God here and now. When we ascribe power to God, we are also choosing to trust in God's power for us now. He has not forgotten his people but he will work in your life with power if you are His. That which God started in you, he will bring to completion.

Discussion Questions

- What are some works of power that God has done in your life?
- What are some areas in which you are not currently trusting God's power? Pray that He will give you faith to trust him now.

Day 4 – Review Q&A and recite memory verse

The ending of the Lord's Prayer ascribes to God *the kingdom, and the power, and the glory.* We must remember that God's kingdom has come with the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ and it will one day come with finality when Jesus returns. We also declare God's power. His power is displayed in his works of creation, salvation and judgment. We need to increasingly trust his power in our own lives. Thirdly, we ascribe to God glory. Glory is making God known for who he is and what he has done. In some senses we can't give God more glory than he already has. He is wonderful and there is nothing that any of us could do to add to his splendor. In this sense the glory is all His already. In another sense, we are to give God glory that he deserves. We give God glory by making known all that God is, and all that he has done. We make him known by telling of his character and deeds to those who do not know them. This is what we were made for. Adam and Eve were created to rule over all of creation. In this rule they were to extend the knowledge and worship of God to the ends of the earth. Your purpose has not changed. You are