

Jesus is presenting his disciples with some guidelines on praying to their Heavenly Father.

6. "Pray to thy *FATHER* which is in secret; and thy *FATHER* which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly."

"[Jesus] had sent the multitudes away, he went up into a mountain apart to pray: and when the evening was come, he was there alone." (Matt. 14:23)

7. "But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking."

"At that day ye shall know that I am in my *FATHER*, and ye in me, and I in you. He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my *FATHER*, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him." (John 14:20–21)

8. "Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your *FATHER* knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him."

The *SPIRIT* helps our weaknesses, prayers and makes "intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the *SPIRIT*, because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of *GOD*."

(Rom. 8:26–27)

9. "After this manner therefore pray ye:

OUR FATHER

Which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name."

"*GOD* is the *LORD*, which hath shewed us light—The *LORD* is in his holy temple, the *LORD'S* throne is in heaven: his eyes behold, his eyelids try, the children of men—Exalt the *LORD* our *GOD*, and worship at his holy hill."

(Ps. 118:27; Ps. 11:4; Ps. 99:9)

10. "Thy *KINGDOM* come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven."

"The *KINGDOM* is the *LORD'S*—he is the governor among the nations—Thy throne, O *God*, is forever—the scepter of thy *KINGDOM* is a right scepter."

(Ps. 22:28; Ps. 45:6)

11. "Give us this day our daily bread."

Jesus: "It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone—but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the *LORD*." (Matt. 4:4; Duet. 8:3)

Jesus: "My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work."

"Then I will give you shepherds after My own heart, who will feed you on knowledge and understanding."

But strong meat belongeth to them—who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.

(John 4:34; Jer. 3:15; Heb. 5:14)

Ask the Heavenly Father for your daily spiritual food.

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12. "And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors."

Jesus: Peter asked Jesus how often we should forgive our brother and Jesus gave this example concerning the Kingdom of Heaven: "Shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellow servant, even as I had pity on thee? And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due unto him. So likewise, shall my heavenly *FATHER* do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not everyone his brother their trespasses."

(Matt. 18:33–35)

13a. "Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil."

[the evil one, Satan. Matt. 4:1–11]

"Let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall. There hath no temptation taken you, but such as is common to man: but *GOD* is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it. Wherefore, my dearly beloved, flee from idolatry. I speak as to wise men; judge ye what I say." (1 Cor. 10:12–15)

13b. "For thine is the *KINGDOM*, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen." (Matt. 6:6–13)

"THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS. And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on him, saying, If thou be *CHRIST*, save thyself and us. But the other answering rebuked him, saying, *Dost not thou fear GOD*, seeing thou art in the same condemnation? And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds: but this man hath done nothing amiss. And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy *KINGDOM*. And *JESUS* said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, *To day, shalt thou be with me in PARADISE*."

(Luke 23:38–43)

THE LORD IS MY

"Shepherd; Strength, Song, Salvation, *GOD*; Rock, Fortress, Deliverer; Buckler, Horn of Salvation, High Tower; Light; Shield; Defense, Rock of Refuge; Song; Portion; Helper."

(Ps. 23:1; Ex. 15:2; 2 Sam. 22:2; Ps. 18:2; 27:1; 28:7; 94:22; 118:14; Lam. 3:24; Heb. 13:6)

"GOD is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever. For, lo, they that are far from thee shall perish: thou hast destroyed all them that go a whoring from thee. But it is good for me to draw near to GOD: I have put my trust in the Lord GOD, that I may declare all thy works." (Ps.73:26-28)

Jesus: spoke a parable to teach, "that men ought always to **pray**, and not to faint; Saying, There, was in a city a judge, which feared not GOD, neither regarded man: And there was a widow in that city; and she came unto him, saying, Avenge me of mine adversary. And he would not for a while: but afterward he said within himself, Though I fear not GOD, nor regard man; Yet because this widow troubleth me, I will avenge her, lest by her continual coming she weary me. And the Lord said, Hear what the unjust judge saith. And shall not GOD avenge his own elect, which **cry day and night** unto him, though he bear long with them? I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of man cometh, shall he find **faith** on the earth?" (Luke 18:1-8)

Jesus: 1. "Thou shalt love the Lord thy GOD with all thy **heart** ... all thy **soul** ... all thy **mind**—the first and great commandment." 2. "The second Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." (Matt. 22:37-40)

Here is the only way to obey the first and great commandment.

1. "And this is his [God's] commandment, That, we should **believe** on the name of his SON JESUS CHRIST." 2. "And love one another, as he gave us commandment."
(1 John 3:23)

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"He that **believeth** on the SON OF GOD hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not GOD hath made him a liar, because he believeth not the record that GOD gave of his SON. And this is the record, that GOD hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his SON. He that hath the SON hath life; and he that hath not the SON OF GOD hath not life. These things have I written unto you that **believe** on the name of the SON OF GOD; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may **believe** on the name of the SON OF GOD." (1 John 5:10-13)

Jesus and the lady at the well: "But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the FATHER in spirit and in truth: for the FATHER seeketh such to worship him. GOD is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth."
(John 4:23-24)

Jesus: "Ask, and it shall be given you—everyone that asketh receiveth—If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts — how much more shall your FATHER—give good things to them that ask him?" (Matt. 7:7-8, 11)

SEEK UNTIL YOU FIND

"If from thence thou shalt seek the LORD thy GOD, thou shalt find him, if thou seek him with all thy heart and with all thy soul—Your heart shall live that seek GOD." (Deut. 4:29; Ps. 69:32)

BLESSED ARE THEY WHO:

Are Forgiven whose sins are Covered—
Mourn they will be Comforted—Hunger and Thirst after Righteousness: they shall be Filled—Dwell in thy house: they will always be Praising *thee.
(Rom. 4:7; Matt. 5:4, 6; Ps. 84:4)

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PRAYER

"O Lord—Whom have I in heaven but thee?"

(Ps. 73:25)



"Hearken unto the voice of my cry, my King, and my GOD: for unto thee will I pray. My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O LORD; in the morning will I direct my prayer unto *thee."

(Psalm 5:2-3)



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