



Calvary
Baptist Church

For the week of:
07/14/25

Home Worship Guide

New City Catechism

Question 41: What is the Lord's prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

WELCOME

Why should we do a family devotional?

“Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.” - Deuteronomy 6:4-8

As long as there have been a “people of God,” the command given to them has always been that they would be instructing their children in the way of the Lord. Scripture expects parents to be the primary disciplers of their children.

But teaching children is more than simply giving rules. It involves showing them HOW to obey the Lord by doing it yourself! These family devotionals are meant to equip you as an individual to grow in your understanding of the Lord and His Word, as well as providing parents with the resources and opportunities to demonstrate for their children what it looks like to pursue God.

How to use this devotional:

This is simply a resource for you to use however works best for your family! Each day there is a selected Scripture reading, devotional, discussion questions, a prayer prompt, and a song to sing together. You may consider splitting parts and having one family member read the Scripture while another reads the devotional and another leads the prayer. Feel free to read additional Scripture as you call to mind passages that relate to what was read. Sing more hymns and songs with your family than the one provided if you feel led to. Use this guide in whatever way helps you and your family draw nearer to the Lord together.

PAST WORSHIP GUIDES

Are you just now learning about these worship guides? Or maybe you were traveling and missed a week. Don't worry! These worship guides are written in a way so that they can be used for years to come.

All of our past worship guides are available on our website. Feel free to scroll and find the one that works for you and your family. The dates simply help you know when they were written, it doesn't mean you only have to read them the week that they were published!

Find those worship guides here:



<https://www.calvaryleavenworth.com/homeworship>

MONDAY

Read Matthew 6:9-13

Discuss

This is one of the most well known passages in Scripture. Many of us memorized these verses when we were very young. I memorized these verses in kindergarten — and thanks to the King James Version, they're still lodged in my head with all the 'thee's, 'thou's, and 'thy's!

Even though most of us are familiar with this passage, we often misunderstand it. Many think that the Lord's prayer is a script that we are to follow, as if Jesus were saying, "repeat after me."

What did Jesus say at the start of verse 9? "Pray then like this..." Jesus is not giving us a script for prayer. Instead he is giving us a model of prayer.

The Lord's prayer is the perfect prayer. It shows us the type of subjects that should fill our prayers.

Is it wrong then to use the Lord's prayer as a script?

No. In a previous guide we talked about our prayers getting "stuck" and needing to pray through Scripture. The Lord's prayer is a great tool during those times. It can help be a guide to your prayers as you get going, keeping you on track.

Discussion Questions

- Do you think of the Lord's prayer as a model or a script? What is different about those?
- Over the course of this week, try to memorize the Lord's prayer if you never have before.

Persecuted Church/Missions:

Turkey is a nation that has a strong Christian history. Paul planted several churches in the region. As long as the church has existed, it has existed in Turkey. However modern Turkish society is intensely Islamic. Turkish identity is tied to being Muslim. Because of this, Christians are targeted with a constant "soft persecution." While they may not be attacked for their faith, they will often be passed over for job promotions because of it. Career, financial, and social stress is placed on Christians so that they have few opportunities to advance in any way.

About the song:

There are few things sweeter than remembering the work of Christ. Our song today causes us to both weep over the suffering we brought to Christ, while also rejoicing in the reality that His suffering brought us life! We live in Him because He died for us.

Pray

Thank God for teaching us how to pray.

Sing

Lead Me to Calvary
Jennie Hussey (1921)

LEAD ME TO CALVARY

Verse 1:

King of my life I crown Thee now,
Thine shall the glory be;
lest I forget Thy thorn-crowned brow,
lead me to Calvary.

Refrain:

Lest I forget Gethsemane,
lest I forget Thine agony,
lest I forget Thy love for me,
lead me to Calvary.

Verse 2:

Show me the tomb where Thou wast laid,
tenderly mourned and wept;
angels in robes of light arrayed
guarded Thee whilst Thou slept.

[Refrain]

Verse 3:

Let me like Mary, through the gloom,
come with a gift to Thee;
show to me now the empty tomb,
lead me to Calvary.

[Refrain]

Verse 4:

May I be willing, Lord, to bear
daily my cross for Thee;
even Thy cup of grief to share,
Thou hast borne all for me.

[Refrain]



TUESDAY

Read Matthew 6:9; Isaiah 29:23

Discuss

How does Jesus begin the Lord's prayer? Does He say, "Our Father in heaven, it's just been a really hard day and I need some help"?

No, the first thing that Jesus teaches us to pray is to honor God and praise His name.

There is no doubt we should ask God for help in difficult times. In fact we absolutely should come to Him in prayer at these moments.

However, when we turn to God, we need to remember and remind ourselves of who He is and why He is worth turning to.

"Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name." Hallowed means "holy." Before Jesus asks for daily bread, He reminds Himself and praises the Father of how holy and perfect He is. The hope of having His daily bread is rooted in the fact that the Father is holy, faithful, perfect, and true.

Our very first thought when we pray, before we ever start asking for anything, even before we confess sin, should be how holy and perfect and marvelous God is. His holiness gives us hope in our requests. His holiness gives reason for our confession and allows us to trust His forgiveness.

Discussion Questions

- How do your prayers usually start?
- Why does the character and nature of God give hope to our prayers?

Apologetics:

Why does God demand our worship? Some people think that this is egotistical for God to demand people worship Him. But when we see who God is, we understand why He deserves to be worshipped. Unlike man, God has eternally existed. He had no beginning. The truest sense of what it means to exist is found in God because He exists independently of anything else. In God man finds what life truly is (Acts 17:28). God doesn't demand worship because He is insecure, He demands worship because He knows the best possible thing for us is to find true life in the One who is life Himself.

About the song:

This hymn reminds us that God is always right, even when we don't understand His plans. As we sing the lyrics, we preach to ourselves that God will never lead us astray, instead we can rest knowing His ways and His will are always good.

Pray

List off characteristics of God that give you hope. Then praise Him for those things.

Sing

Whatever My God Ordains Is Right

Samuel Rodigast (1675)

WHATEVER MY GOD ORDAINS IS RIGHT

Verse 1:

Whate'er my God ordains is right:
his holy will abideth;
I will be still, whate'er he doth,
and follow where he guideth.
He is my God; though dark my road,
he holds me that I shall not fall:
wherefore to him I leave it all.

Verse 2:

Whate'er my God ordains is right:
he never will deceive me;
he leads me by the proper path;
I know he will not leave me.
I take, content, what he hath sent;
his hand can turn my griefs away,
and patiently I wait his day.

Verse 3:

Whate'er my God ordains is right:
though now this cup, in drinking,
may bitter seem to my faint heart,
I take it, all unshrinking.
My God is true; each morn anew
sweet comfort yet shall fill my heart,
and pain and sorrow shall depart.

Verse 4:

Whate'er my God ordains is right:
here shall my stand be taken;
though sorrow, need, or death be mine,
yet am I not forsaken.
My Father's care is round me there;
he holds me that I shall not fall:
and so to him I leave it all.



WEDNESDAY

Read Matthew 6:10; Proverbs 3:5-6

Discuss

When my siblings or I were being selfish, our parents would tease us with a little jingle, “I want what I want and I want it now!”

They were joking with us of course, but the truth is that their little song often reflects our hearts when we pray. “God, give me health, give me money, give me happiness — give me everything I want, and don’t make me wait for it!” Too often our prayers become self-centered wish lists, demanding what we want on our timeline.

Jesus taught us another way to pray. Rather than demanding of God everything that we want exactly how we want it, Jesus told us to pray for the kingdom of God to come to earth, for God’s will to be accomplished in our lives and the world around us just as it is in heaven.

Our first prayer, our first desire above everything else should be that the will of God is done in our lives and the world around us. Any other desire that we have should be placed in submission for this.

So how do we pray in a way that looks to God’s will above our own? We pray specifically for God’s glory. Pray for a heart that loves what God loves and wants what God wants. Pray for a deeper love of God Himself, because the more you love Him, the more you will be satisfied in His will.

Discussion Questions

- Are your prayers focused on what you want, or on the will of God?
- How can you align your will and desires to God?

Greek/Hebrew/Latin Word to Know:

בֵּית לֶחֶם

Bethlehem

This is a word you already know! Bethlehem is a combination of two Hebrew words. “Bet” meaning house, and “lehem” meaning bread. Together they mean “house of bread.” This name was given because Bethlehem and the land around it was fertile and good ground for growing grain crops to make bread. The name took on a new meaning with Christ who is the bread of life that never leaves us hungry and always satisfies.

About the Song:

The lyrics of our song today read like a prayer. In fact they are based upon the Lord’s prayer as we eagerly desire God’s kingdom on earth. Through it we pray for the ability to proclaim Christ to those who are dying in their sin, because there is no greater thing we can do.

Pray

Pray for your heart to want what God wants.

Sing

Let Your Kingdom Come
Bob Kauflin (2006)

LET YOUR KINGDOM COME

VERSE 1

Your glorious cause, O God
Engages our hearts
May Jesus Christ be known
Wherever we are
We ask not for ourselves, but for Your renown
The cross has saved us so we pray
Your kingdom come

CHORUS

Let Your kingdom come
Let Your will be done
So that everyone might know Your Name
Let Your song be heard everywhere on earth
Till Your sovereign work on earth is done
Let Your kingdom come

VERSE 2

Give us Your strength, O God
And courage to speak
Perform Your wondrous deeds
Through those who are weak
Lord use us as You want, whatever the test
By grace we'll preach Your gospel
Till our dying breath

CHORUS



THURSDAY

Read Matthew 6:11-12; 1 John 1:9;
Philippians 4:6

Discuss

Do you sin? If your answer is “yes,” you’re being honest. If it’s “no,” well... you just did.

Each of us still wrestles with sin. Though Christ’s death on the cross has secured full forgiveness, we are called to daily repentance—turning from sin and returning to Christ. This is why Christ instructs us to pray, “Forgive us our debts.”

As we come to God remembering our need for grace, our hearts are softened. How could we, who are constantly need the grace of God to cover our sins, not forgive the sins of others? If you find yourself struggling to forgive others consider this: do you truly understand the forgiveness given in Christ?

This recognition of our need for grace and mercy reorients our heart to what truly matters. “Give us this day our daily bread.” Jesus is the true bread from heaven — our greatest need is to feed on Him through His Word and grace. Our greatest need is not more time, money, or even health - it is to feed upon Jesus Christ, His word, and His unchanging mercy.

Man can live weeks without food, days without water, and minutes without air, but without grace from God we could not endure a single moment.

Lord, give us an awareness of our sin, that we might feast with joy on the bread of life.

Discussion Questions

- Do you see Jesus as your greatest need?
- How easy is it for you to forgive others?

Important Theological Term:

Remission means the cancellation or removal of a debt or penalty. It comes from the Latin word remissio, meaning “to send back.” When Jesus says His blood is “poured out for many for the remission of sins” (Matthew 26:28), He’s declaring that His death pays our debt in full. Remission is more than a fresh start—it’s the total erasing of sin’s penalty. When we confess our sin, God doesn’t just lessen the charge; He removes it completely through Christ. That’s the kind of forgiveness we are praying for in the Lord’s Prayer.

About the Song:

This lovely hymn reminds us of the wonderful gift of grace given to us in Jesus. Generation have sung this hymn remembering the grace of God that covered their sins.

Pray

Confess your sins and thank God for the grace of Jesus.

Sing

*Grace That is Greater Than
Our Sin*

Julia Johnston (1910)

GRACE THAT IS GREATER THAN OUR SIN

Verse 1:

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord,
Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt!
Yonder on Calvary's mount out-poured—
There where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

Refrain:

Grace, grace, God's grace,
Grace that will pardon and cleanse within;
Grace, grace, God's grace,
Grace that is greater than all our sin!

Verse 2:

Sin and despair, like the sea-waves cold,
Threaten the soul with infinite loss;
Grace that is greater— yes, grace untold—
Points to the Refuge, the mighty Cross.

[Refrain]

Verse 3:

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace,
Freely bestowed on all who believe!
All who are longing to see His face,
Will you this moment His grace receive?

[Refrain]



FRIDAY

**Read Matthew 6:13; James 1:13;
1 Corinthians 10:13**

Discuss

In high school I suffered from a severe movement disorder. My left hand shook constantly and violently. I remember the embarrassment when I needed my prom date to cut my food because I simply could not hold a knife and fork at the same time. That was the first time I truly realized what it meant to rely completely on someone else's strength to do what I simply could not.

The same is true when temptation comes. We are not strong enough on our own to overcome it—we need help from outside ourselves. If you look at your life, you will know that this is true. How often we fall into sin!

Jesus teaches us to ask the Father to deliver us from temptation and protect us from the evil one. Jesus understands the weight of temptation. He knows how fierce the battle is, because He faced it Himself—and triumphed (Hebrews 4:15). That's why He calls us to pray for deliverance.

Don't wait until after you've sinned to start praying. Begin before the battle starts. Ask the Lord to help you see temptation coming. Pray for Spirit-given power to flee from it. Ask for wisdom to choose what is right and strength to stand when it's hard. Jesus taught us to pray this way—because He knows how much we need it.

Discussion Questions

- How can you pray BEFORE you sin?
- What are sins you struggle with? How can you look to Christ and flee from them?

Church History:

On July 18th, in 64ad, the Great Fire of Rome began. The fire burned for six days and consumed much of the city. Emperor Nero blamed the fire on the Christians and began the first major wave of state sponsored persecution. Christians throughout the empire, but especially in the city of Rome, were arrested, tortured, and killed. Despite this persecution, the Gospel flourished and continued to spread rapidly. Through patient, faithful endurance the kingdom of God expanded.

About the Song:

The title of this hymn says it all, "All I Have is Christ." We are empty, we have nothing apart from Jesus Christ. It was Him who rescued and redeemed us that we could walk in newness of life for Him. We depend completely on Christ not just in some of our lives, but for our whole life.

Pray

Ask God for His strength to flee from temptations.

Sing

All I Have Is Christ
Jordan Kauflin (2008)

ALL I HAVE IS CHRIST

VERSE 1

I once was lost in darkest night
Yet thought I knew the way
The sin that promised joy and life
Had led me to the grave
I had no hope that You would own
A rebel to Your will
And if You had not loved me first
I would refuse You still

VERSE 2

But as I ran my hell-bound race
Indifferent to the cost
You looked upon my helpless state
And led me to the cross
And I beheld God's love displayed
You suffered in my place
You bore the wrath reserved for me
Now all I know is grace

CHORUS

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life

VERSE 3

Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone
And live so all might see
The strength to follow Your commands
Could never come from me
O Father, use my ransomed life
In any way You choose
And let my song forever be
My only boast is You



UPCOMING YOUTH GROUP EVENTS

8:30pm

JULY 19

MOVIE NIGHT!

“THE PRINCE OF EGYPT”

Popcorn and soda

5:30pm

August 2

GAME NIGHT!

BOARD AND VIDEO GAMES

Chips, snacks, and soda

6:00pm

August 9

FIELD DAY!

**OUTDOOR GAMES, MAYBE
EVEN SOME NEW ONES!**

Burgers and chips

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ALL STUDENTS ENTERING THE 6TH-12TH GRADES.
JOIN US FOR THESE FUN EVENTS!**

Summer at **GALVARY BAPTIST** **CHURCH**

10 AM

 **JULY 19**

BIBLES & BACKPACKS

Pre-register for our school
supply giveaway!

LUNCH IS PROVIDED!



6 to 8 PM

 **JULY 21-25**

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

AGES 4 YEARS OLD-5TH GRADE
REGISTER ON OUR WEBSITE



6:30-8:00 PM

 **JULY 28-AUG 1**

5 DAY CLUB

5 Days of songs, crafts, and
snacks pointing to Jesus!

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"Go home to your friends and
tell them how much the Lord
has done for you, and how he
has had mercy on you."

Mark 5:19

