



BEHOLD THE KING

MATTHEW

“Jesus, how do I pray?”

“And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward.

“But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

“And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. Pray then like this:

“Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day 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.

“For if you forgive others their trespasses,
your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but
if you do not forgive others their trespasses,
neither will your Father forgive your
trespasses.”

Matthew 6:5-15

Big Idea: **Pray**

Big Idea: Pray to **your Father**.

That God should be personally addressed as “Father”... was absolutely revolutionary in Jesus’ day.

“The writers of the Old Testament certainly believed in the Fatherhood of God, but they saw it mainly in terms of a sovereign Creator-Father ...

“You can search from Genesis to Malachi, and you will not find one individual speaking of God as Father ...

“But when Jesus came on the scene, he addressed God only as Father. He never used anything else! All his prayers address God as Father.

“The Gospels (just four books) record his using Father more than sixty times in reference to God.

“So striking is this that there are scholars who maintain that this word Father dramatically summarizes the difference between the Old and New Testaments.

“No one had ever in the entire history of Israel spoken and prayed like Jesus. No one!”

Kent Hughes



Bernard Arnault

Father “who is in secret”

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The Father who sits in your room with you.

The Father is very near.

Father “who sees in secret”

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The Father who sees you for who you really are at your best and worst moments. The Father really cares.

Father “will reward you”

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The Father who by his very nature is a rewarder of his children. The Father is kind and generous.

Father “knows what you need before you ask him”

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The Father who knows everything you need but loves to listen and talk with you. The Father deeply loves you.

Father “in heaven” and “heavenly”

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The Father who is beyond our realm.

The Father is very big, powerful, unique,
and beyond you.

Father “will also forgive you ... neither will he
forgive you”

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The Father who is ready to forgive you and assumes you will forgive others. The Father has compassion toward you and expects you to live like him.

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Matthew 6:7-8

We are not heard because of our volume of **words.**

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We are heard because of God's volume of **knowledge.**

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intentionally.

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Your kingdom come, **your** will be done, on
earth as it is in heaven. Give **us** this day 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.’”

Matthew 6:9-13

“Yours” hallowed be your name

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 your kingdom come

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 your will be done

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 your will be done

“Us” give us this day our daily bread

“Feed me with the food that is needful for me, lest I be full and deny you and say, ‘Who is the LORD?’ or lest I be poor and steal and profane the name of my God.”

Proverbs 30:8-9

“The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season.”

Psalms 145:15

“Yours” hallowed be your name
 your kingdom come
 your will be done

“Us” give us this day our daily bread
 forgive us as we forgive

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lead us ... deliver us

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Matthew 6:14-15

You forgive; you are forgiven.

You forgive; you are forgiven.

You don't forgive; you aren't forgiven.

“But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ ...

“For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.”

Ephesians 2:4-9

Forgiven people forgive people.

What is the Spirit of God telling you?

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