

Blessings in the House

God and His Will

A weekly devotional message for the family

Seeking the Will of God Through the Lord's Prayer

(Matthew 6:9-13) After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. (10) Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as *it is* in heaven. (11) Give us this day our daily bread. (12) And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. (13) And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

These scriptures are to show us a pattern to pray. They are also to show us what the will of God is for us.

Worship God's Name

(Matthew 6:9) After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.

Let us always start our prayers by exalting the Lord our God. Worship God for He is great, and His holy name is above all names. It is always the will of God to exalt His holy name.

(Psalm 8:1) O Lord our Lord, how excellent *is* thy name in all the earth! who hast set thy glory above the heavens.

(Psalm 9:2) I will be glad and rejoice in thee: I will sing praise to thy name, O thou most High.

(Psalm 29:2) Give unto the Lord the glory due unto his name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

The Will of God

(Matthew 6:10) Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as *it is* in heaven.

We are to receive God's will for our life. God's will is settled in heaven and recorded in the Word of God. Everything that we need to know about the will of God and the Kingdom of God is recorded in the Word of God. When we open our Bibles, we need to pray that God will open our understanding to His Holy Word.

It is the will of God for us to place God first in our lives. God wants us to put our priorities in the right perspectives, to put our heart in the right place. When Jesus was asked for the greatest commandment, Jesus answered by saying that the first is to love God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength, Mark 12:30. Our heart needs to be in the right place. God must be first. Jesus also said, (Matthew 6:19-21) Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: (20) But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: (21) For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

God is Our Provider

(Matthew 6:11) Give us this day our daily bread.

As we first seek God for His will, and we seek his kingdom, He becomes our provider. (Psalm 37:25) I have been young, and *now* am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread.

As we have our priorities in the right place, God will provide for His own. We are to first seek God and His righteousness, and He will provide us with our daily needs.

(Matthew 6:31-33) Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (32) (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. (33) But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Let us first seek those things that are from above where our Lord dwells, Colossians 3:1.

God is Our Savior

(Matthew 6:12) And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

We are to seek God for forgiveness. To do this we must first repent to the Lord for any offenses that we have made against Him. (Romans 3:23) For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.

We have all sinned, but God has made a way for us to receive forgiveness of our sins. (Luke 24:47) And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

We need to understand that it is the will of God for everyone to be saved. Salvation is for us today! It is the will of God for us to understand why Christ came, and why we need to look to Him. (1 Timothy 2:4-6) Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth. (5) For *there is* one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; (6) Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.

And as we have received forgiveness of our sins, we forgive others. (Ephesians 4:32) And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

God is Our Great Shepherd

(Matthew 6:13) And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever.

As we seek for God's will in our lives, He leads us, He becomes our Great Shepherd. He leads us as a shepherd leads his flocks. (Psalm 23) The Lord *is* my shepherd; I shall not want. (2) He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. (3) He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. (4) Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou *art* with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. (5) Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. (6) Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

God leads us all the way to heaven.

God is the Almighty

(Matthew 6:13) And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever.

As we seek the Lord and we are a part of His great kingdom, we come to the understanding that He has all power, and there is nothing that He cannot do. (Matthew 28:18) And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

This message is about understanding God, and knowing what He has for us. As we seek Him, we find that He is so great, and He wants to use His great powers to lead us, protect us, take care of us, and save us. Let us seek the Lord our God, and His will in our lives. Let us follow Him, and submit ourselves completely to Him.

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