

The Lord's Prayer (see Matthew 6:9-13 and Luke 11:1-4)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Who gives us this prayer?

To whom is this prayer addressed?

What are the priorities of this prayer?

What can we learn about prayer from the setting and context of this prayer?

Why do we pray?

A few basic things to consider/remember:

- 1) **Isaiah 59:2** But your iniquities have separated you from your God; your sins have hidden his face from you, so that he will not hear.

- 2) **Romans 5:1** Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.

- 3) **Hebrews 4:14** Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has gone through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. ¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are-- yet was without sin. ¹⁶ Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

- 4) **Psalms 50:15** and call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will honor me."