

Daily Prayer Guide Digging Deeper with the Lord's Prayer

Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be your name – Adopt a God-centered life vision.

(Pray that all of life is centered under God's Vision, and nothing else. Here we ask that God's Name is holy within and among us)

Your Kingdom come; Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven – Adopt a God-centered vision by applying the teachings of Jesus.

(Being specific—in what relationships can we be obedient to the teachings of Jesus?
The Kingdom of Heaven is the presence of God here and now that leads to the *Best Possible Life*.
Luther: "God's will comes about whenever God strengthens us and keeps us steadfast in his word."
Pray for these areas of life and specific people and institutions.)

The Big Five:

Forgiveness (giving up all hope for a better past)
(Matthew 18: 21-35)

Reconciliation (making amends and becoming responsible in relationships)
(Luke 15: 11-32)

Love (seeking the good of another without expecting returns)
(Luke 6:27-38)

Hospitality (welcoming the stranger as another human being)
(Luke 10:25-37)

Generosity (sharing of personal resources with others)
(Luke 19:1-10)

Give us today our daily bread – Admit our powerlessness to live this kingdom vision. Trust in the power of God through the Holy Spirit to do for us what we cannot do for ourselves.

- Using the following questions write a powerlessness list, what specific areas are shown?
1-I am powerless over? 2-This affects my life how? 3-I try to manage around this by? 4-My first step into this problem (insanity) goes like? 5-This make me feel? 6- Do I realize I am powerless over this progressing?
- Memorize Galatians 2:20—*I have been crucified with Christ and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by trusting in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.*
- Pray for other daily needs.

Forgive us our sins – Confession of specific sins, shortcomings, character defects

- Write a personal inventory list on what issues prevent you from growing into the kind of person God intends you to be. How do you get in your own way of the Best Possible Life?

As we have forgiven those who have sinned against us – Forgiveness of and blessing towards others.

- Five stages of forgiveness: denial; anger; bargaining; depression; acceptance
- Recognition of the “persona” of the hurt: giving up victim hood
- Daily resentment inventory

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from the evil one.

- Confession of being vulnerable and needing God’s help
- Facing the world without fear.
- Praise and thanksgiving