# **GRACE AT HOME**



OTH MEER OF LAST

THE PRAYING CHURCH

"I, when I am lifted up will draw all people to Myself." – John 12:32

This week is about prayer. Turning to God because we have a God. Allowing ourselves to learn dependance and trust through knowing that God gives us what we need, but how often it is we never ask. What are some prayers you are too afraid to pray? How can you be better taught to pray? Who has been your example for how to pray? Ηγμν "Lord, Teach Us How to Pray Aright", #438 1 Lord, teach us how to pray a - right, with rev - 'rence and with fear. per - ish if we cease from prayer; oh, grant 2 We pow'r to pray. us Give deep hu - mil - i - ty; the sense of god -Faith in the on - ly sac - ri - fice that can ly 3 sor - row give: 4 for sin a - tone; Give these, and then your will be done; thus strength-ened with all might, 5

Though dust and ash - es your sight, we may, we must draw near. in when to meet you pre - pare, Lord, meet us And we on our way a strong de - sire, with con - fi - dence, to hear your voice and live; to cast our hopes, to fix our eyes on Christ, on Christ a - lone. we, through your Spir - it and your Son, shall pray, and pray a - right.

#### **PSALM FOR THE WEEK**

#### Psalm 107

#### GOSPEL READING

"In that day you will not ask me anything. Truly I tell you, anything you ask the Father in my name, he will give you. Until now you have asked for nothing in my name. Ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be complete. I have spoken these things to you in figures of speech. A time is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures, but I will tell you plainly about the Father. On that day you will ask in my name, and I am not telling you that I will ask the Father on your behalf. For the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. I came from the Father and have come into the world. Again, I am leaving the world and going to the Father."

His disciples said, "Look, now you're speaking plainly and not using any figurative language. Now we know that you know everything and don't need anyone to question you. By this we believe that you came from God."

Jesus responded to them, "Do you now believe? Indeed, an hour is coming, and has come, when each of you will be scattered to his own home, and you will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, because the Father is with me. I have told you these things so that in me you may have peace. You will have suffering in this world. Be courageous! I have conquered the world."

# Iohn 16:5-15

#### QUESTIONS TO TALK ABOUT AT HOME

1. What does Jesus say about why our prayers are heard by the Father?

2. In what name are we baptized? Does this now give us access to pray to the Father?

3. How does this remind us of the prayer He taught us to pray (Lord's Prayer)? Who are we addressing?

- 4. Who is Jesus going to when He leaves?
- 5. Why does the Father loves us?

#### **PRAYER FOR THE WEEK**

O God, from whom all good things: Lead us by the inspiration of Your Spirit to think those things which are right, and by Your goodness help us to do them; though Your Son, Jesus Christ our

Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### DAILY READINGS

Monday – Luke 11:1-13 Tuesday – 1 Kings 3:1-15 Wednesday – 1 Timothy 2:1-8 Thursday (Ascension Day) – Acts 1:1-11 Friday – Ephesians 1:3-19



## CATECHISM CORNER

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER: THE 6™ PETITION

And lead us not into temptation.

What does this mean?

Answer: God tempts no one to sin, but we ask in this prayer that God would watch over us and keep us so that the devil, the world, and our own sinful self may not deceive us and draw us into false belief, despair, other and great and shameful sins. And we pray that even though we are so tempted, we may still win the final victory.



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