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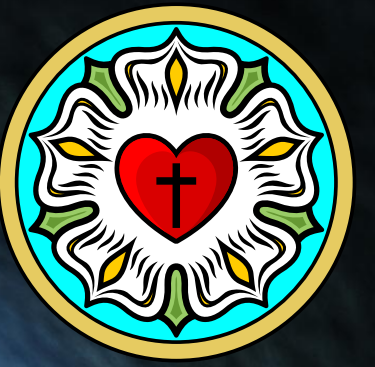
The Lord's Prayer

SESSION 3

Building our Foundation.

Understanding what Lutherans believe.

Lord's Prayer



The Ten Commandments reveal how God created us to live in harmony with Him and others.

The Creed shows us all that God has done, that we might be His children and live according to His will.

In the Lord's Prayer, we now pray for God's will to be done and for His gifts to be received in the face of all dangers.



The Prayer

It is the way we communicate with God. In other words, this is how we speak to God in words and thoughts.



Psalm 19:14 says: “Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.” (ESV)

“Communication With God”

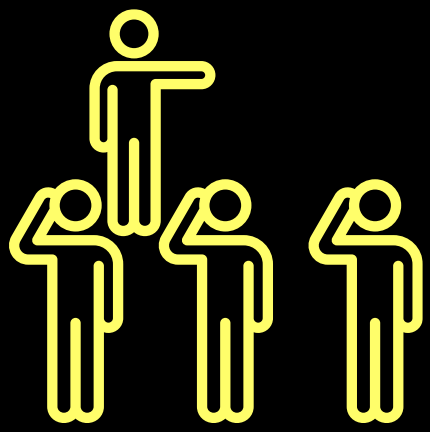
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(Psalm 19:14)

God Initiates Prayer



- **God commands us to approach Him in prayer to show how earnestly He wants to help us.**
- **God promises to hear our prayers**
- **God gives us the very words that we can use in prayer and that can serve as a pattern for prayer.**



Command Us...

We Are Invited To Follow God In Prayer.

1. In the Old Testament:

✓ **Psalm 105:1**

2. In the New Testament:

✓ **1 Thessalonians 5:17-18**



Take a moment and read these bible texts.

Promise Us...

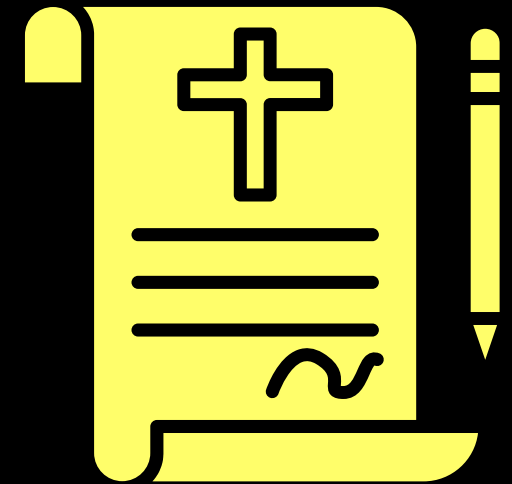


“We can be certain that when we approach God in prayer, we can pray with the assurance that He hears our prayers”.

Following what James 1:6-7 says, we should pray boldly.

Take a moment and read the bible text.

Jesus Often Referred To The Psalms And Prayed Them.



Let Us Walk Through Some Of Them.

a. Matthew 27:46 / Psalm 22:1

b. Luke 2:46 / Psalm 31:5

c. Matthew 22:44 / Psalm 110:1

Take a moment and read these Bible texts.

The Bible provides forms that we can use in our prayers, and these forms are also tailored to our specific needs.

There are several forms of prayer that we can use depending on our needs.



We have Prayers for:

- **Confession. (Read Psalm 51)**
- **Request. (Psalm 22)**
- **Intercession. (Psalm 82)**
- **Thanksgiving. (Psalm 118)**
- **Lamentation/Complaint. (Psalm 10)**
- **Praise and Adoration. (Psalm 136)**



All these prayers have two things in common: First, we receive life, and second, we receive all good gifts from God.

Does God Answer Our Prayers?



God our Father hears the prayers of His children and answers them in His own way and in His own time.

We are encouraged to pray in faith and confidence.

We must have faith like Jesus showed us in Matthew 8:5-13, Healing the centurion's servant, and Matthew 9:1-8 Healing the paralytic.

What is the Lord's Prayer?

The Lord's Prayer is an instruction Jesus gave to His disciples about how to pray.

This prayer
contains seven
(7) petitions.

1. "Hallowed be Thy Name"
2. "Thy kingdom come"
3. "Thy will be done"
4. "Give us this day our daily bread"
5. "And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us."
6. "And lead us not into temptation"
7. "But deliver us from evil."

1

“Hallowed Be Thy Name”



As Christians, we honor (hallow) God’s name as Father when we call on Him in faith.

We know who we are addressing and acknowledge the majesty.

2

“Thy Kingdom Come”



The kingdom of God certainly comes by itself without our prayer but pray in this petition that it may come to us also. Especially in moments that we need Him to be with us.

God's kingdom is not fully revealed to the believers.

2

“Thy Kingdom Come”

Note: Every kingdom or nation on earth is continually plagued with problems.

“As Christians, we believe and confess that Christ’s present reign as King is being extended by the Spirit through the Gospel. It will be fully revealed when Christ returns in glory.”



2

“Thy Kingdom Come”

We ask that the kingdom of God would come among us, and we pray that God would give us His Spirit that we may believe in His Word and live “Under Him in His kingdom” and serve Him.



3

“Thy Will Be Done”



We should understand that the good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also.

As Christians, we pray here that God would not allow any obstacle to stand in the way of His gracious will. His Word and kingdom be extended.

“God’s will” is that all people come to know Him as their Father and live under His Son’s rule. This petition is closely related to the first and second petitions.



4 “Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread”

“As Christians, we pray that we might be grateful for everything that God provides each day for our bodily life.”


What habits and practices
can help me to better
recognize how God sustains
my life each Day?



4

“Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread”

This petition focuses on recognizing God as the giver of all good things and expressing gratitude for all His gifts of creation that sustain our bodily life.



5

“And Forgive Us Our Trespasses As
We Forgive Those Who Trespass
Against Us.”

With this petition, we ask
our Father in heaven not
to look at our sins or
refuse our prayers
because of them.



5

We don't deserve forgiveness, but we ask that He give it to us by grace, for we daily sin much.

So, we too will sincerely forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us.



“As Christians, we pray that for Christ’s sake we may know the joy and peace of being forgiven and of forgiving others.”

Does our forgiveness from God depend upon our ability to forgive others?

It may appear that Jesus makes our forgiveness dependent on forgiving others when He says, “Forgive us ... as we also have forgiven” (Matt. 6:12).





**God has forgiven the sins
of the world solely for
Christ's sake.
We can't earn forgiveness
by forgiving others.**



6

“And Lead Us Not Into Temptation”

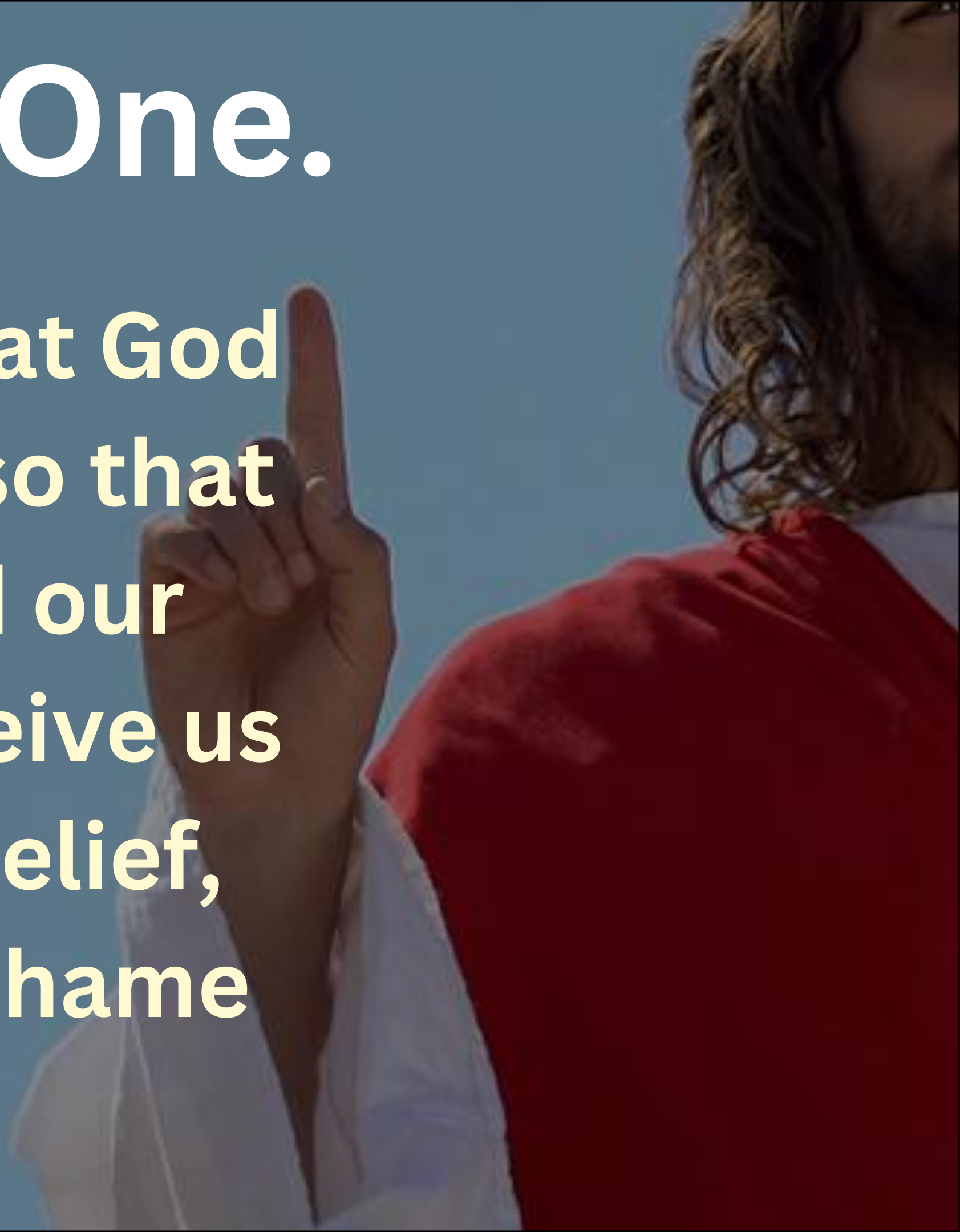
God tempts no one. We pray for protection from the devil, the world, and our sinful nature to prevent deception, false belief, despair, and vice.

We are attacked by these things every day, and we pray that we may finally overcome them and win the victory.



God Tempts No One.

We pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us so that the devil, the world, and our sinful nature may not deceive us or mislead us into false belief, despair, and other great shame and vice.



A wooden sign with the word "Prayer" written on it in white, set against a background of a blue sky with white clouds. The sign is mounted on a wooden post and has a black outline. The word "Prayer" is written in a simple, sans-serif font.

Prayer

“As Christians, we pray that our Father would keep us strong in His Word, since our faith is under constant threat.”

7

“But Deliver Us From Evil.”

This petition is to summarize that our Father in heaven would rescue us from every evil of body and soul, possessions and reputation, and, finally, when our last hour comes, give us a blessed end and graciously take us from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven.

**“As Christians, we
pray that God
would rescue us
from the evil one
both now and
forever.”**



“But Deliver Us From Evil.”

This last petition related to the previous one, when we ask our Father in heaven to rescue us from all evil, even as we approach our departure from this world.

Where Do We Find Our Hope In The Battle Against Satan?

We find our hope and refuge in the Lord Jesus Christ, who frees us from Satan's tyranny by His death and resurrection.

“For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen”

This conclusion is that we should be certain that all these petitions are pleasing to our Father in heaven and are heard by Him.

God

God our Father is the King who bestows every good gift, and He has the power to grant our petitions, and He is exalted as the one true God.