

THE LORD'S PRAYER THE NAMES OF GOD THE ARMOR OF GOD

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OUR FATHER

God is our Father. We are His children, and He delights to be in relationship with us and give us good gifts.

WHICH ART IN HEAVEN

God is in heaven. He is not subject to the limitations we experience.

He is outside of time, fully capable, fully powerful.

HALLOWED BE THY NAME

As we hallow His name, we acknowledge His holiness. God says, "I Am that I Am." The name *Jehovah* means that He exists. There is no difference between the names of God and who He is. So I spend time declaring how awesome, sacred, sanctified, and consecrated are the names of God. (Breakdown of the Names of God pg 2-3.)

THY KINGDOM COME, THY WILL BE DONE ON EARTH, AS IT IS IN HEAVEN

We pray for God's kingdom to come and His will to be done on earth *as it is in heaven*. You and I walking in the purposes of God is a choice we make to be obedient. God uses our prayers to fulfill His purposes. It's a partnership between God and man.

GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD

This speaks to both natural and spiritual. God promises to supply our natural needs (sustenance) and give us our daily bread (His Word) according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. I thank God for His provision.

FORGIVE US OUR TRANSGRESSIONS AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO TRANSGRESS AGAINST US

God's mercy is new every morning. God is faithful to forgive us, and we must be willing to forgive others who have wronged us. Scripture is clear that forgiving others is a prerequisite for us to be forgiven.

LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION, BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL

We have to understand that we have a real enemy who wants to destroy us. Daily we need to put on the full armor of God so we can not only stand against the attacks of the enemy but also attack and destroy the plans of the enemy. (Breakdown of the Armor of God on pg 4.)

FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM AND THE POWER AND THE GLORY FOREVER, AMEN

God is our shield, our refuge, and fortress no matter what we go through. We are protected citizens of His kingdom, and we have access to His power and glory. It is ours. Daily as we pray the Lord's Prayer, we are partnering with God to see His kingdom come and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Amen!

When praying through the Lord's Prayer, when you come to "Hallowed be Thy Name," it is appropriate to pause and pray through the Names of God. Here is a summary of the names and their meaning. For a more complete description, see Chapter 11, *The Power of Prayer* in my book, *RESILIENT*.

THE NAMES OF GOD

JEHOVAH

The simple meaning of *Jehovah* is that "God exists."

JEHOVAH TSIDKENU—THE LORD MY RIGHTEOUSNESS

The full meaning is that "God exists to be our righteousness." God is completely holy. In heaven, the angels say, "Holy, Holy, Holy."

Because I understand that God exists to be my righteousness, I spend some time declaring His name, *Jehovah Tsidkenu*. I thank Him for making me righteous in Him.

JEHOVAH M'KADDESH-THE LORD WHO SANCTIFIES

The Lord exists to sanctify. To sanctify means "to set apart and declare as holy."

I thank **Jehovah M'Kaddesh** for sanctifying me and setting me apart. I declare in my prayer that I am available to Him, and I thank Him for His purposes and ask Him to use me.

JEHOVAH-SHAMMAH—THE LORD IS THERE

God is outside of time and space. He has always existed and always will. He is everywhere at the same time.

As I declare **Jehovah Shammah**, the Lord is there. I also declare that He sees everything that has happened, and what is unjust, He will expose. God is a present God. He's not just a memory. He's alive and well.

JEHOVAH SHALOM—THE LORD IS PEACE

He gives us peace that passes all understanding. In the midst of all that we go through, we need only to look to Him.

Yes, trials and tribulations come, but He is **Jehovah Shalom**, the Lord is peace. I declare that He is my peace. I also declare that He is Jehovah Shalom in the lives of other people I know who are going through a challenging season.



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JEHOVAH-ROPHE—THE LORD THAT HEALS YOU

"God exists to heal." He is our healer.

I declare **Jehovah-Rophe** over everyone I pray for who is battling sickness. Proclaiming God's specific names is a great way to remember those who need Him to move in a particular way in their life.

JEHOVAH-JIREH—THE GOD WHO SEES TO THAT WHICH HE SEES

If God sees it, if it's a part of His plan, He will see to it that it happens.

You are a Word from God. He spoke your name, and your life is on an assignment from God. I pray *Jehovah-Jireh* over my life and destiny, and I speak it over other's names, thanking God that He will see to what He sees for their future, and I am confident that God will make it happen. I declare by faith that God is going to make a way when there isn't a way.

JEHOVAH-ROHI—THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD

As His sheep, God promises to lead and direct. We just need to stay close to Him as our shepherd and follow Him.

He will show us if we seek Him and ask Him what to do and where to go. We don't have to be lost wandering around. We can declare His name, *Jehovah-Rohi*, the Lord is my shepherd.

JEHOVAH-NISSI-THE LORD OUR BANNER

We lift high the name of Jesus as the banner over us.

I declare **Jehovah-Nissi**, the Lord is my banner, and I know His banner over me is love. I am so encouraged by the fact that I am on the Lord's side, and nothing can separate me from His love.



When praying through the Lord's Prayer, when you come to "Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil," you become aware you have a real enemy. It is appropriate to pause and put on the full armor of God. Here is a summary of the armor pieces. For a more complete description, see Chapter 11, *The Power of Prayer* in my book, *RESILIENT*.

THE ARMOR OF GOD

THE HELMET OF SALVATION

By faith I put on this helmet. The biggest battle that we face in life is in our minds. By the power of God, we have the right and responsibility to bring every thought into submission.

THE BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

Our hearts must be protected to stay pure before God. I decree that I am the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus. When Jesus rules in my life, He transforms my heart.

THE BELT OF TRUTH

The Word of God is truth. Roman soldiers were outfitted with full-body armor, and the belt was significant. It was the part of the equipment that held everything else in place. The same principle is true when we put on the Armor of God. It is His Word that secures everything else.

THE SHOES OF PEACE

I then declare that my feet are shod with the Preparation of the Gospel of Peace. The Roman soldiers would wear sandals with 3-inch spikes. When they were in hand-to-hand combat, they would dig the spikes into the ground. Digging those spikes into the ground caused them to be able to stand firm and not easily knocked over in battle. With a strong foundation with our feet planted firmly, we can stand firm and not be moved no matter what trials we face.

THE SHIELD OF FAITH

The shields of Roman soldiers were almost the height of their whole body. Faith covers everything. Our faith can be such that we have total confidence that God will do everything He has promised, even when we don't see how. Behind faith's shield, we are protected.

THE SWORD OF THE SPIRIT

God responds to His Word. When we declare the Word of God in faith, it causes God to respond. The Bible is full of so many powerful promises of God! When we declare these promises in faith, we wield the Sword of the Spirit. That sword is sharp and powerful.

