

## Pray Like Jesus: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name (week 2)

### Action steps for this series

- Prayer challenge text
- Email questions about prayer to askreallife@reallifeministries.com
- 8am prayer each week in the team room
- Prayer/worship night on September 24<sup>th</sup> from 4-5pm

**Matthew 6:9-13 (NKJV)** – **9** In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. **10** Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as *it is* in heaven. **11** Give us this day our daily bread. **12** And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. **13** And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

### Our Father in Heaven

#### Connect with God relationally

- God is our FATHER. The Creator of the universe, God Almighty, the most-high King is your dad! He desires a relationship with you that is real and intimate.
- He wants to connect with you and hear what you have to say.

**Romans 8:15-16 (NLT)**— **15** So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God’s Spirit when he adopted you as his own children. Now we call him, “Abba, Father.” **16** For his Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God’s children.

### Hallowed be Your Name

#### Worship His name

- God loves when we worship Him by acknowledging first that He is Holy, set apart, and like none other.

*Of all the attributes of God, holiness is the one that most uniquely describes Him and in reality, is a summation of all His other attributes. The word holiness refers to His separateness, His otherness, the fact that He is unlike any other being. It indicates His complete and infinite perfection. Holiness is the attribute of God that binds all the others together. -John MacArthur*

**Revelation 4:8 (NKJV)** – Each of the four living creatures had six wings and was covered with eyes all around, even under its wings. Day and night they never stop saying: “‘Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,’ who was, and is, and is to come.”

- When you pray, do you focus on the holiness of God?

#### His name

- God also loves that we acknowledge that there is power in His name.
- There is power and authority that comes with God's name.

**Proverbs 18:10 (NKJV)** – The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous man runs into it and is safe

- Speak God's names out loud. When we proclaim who He is, we not only worship Him, but we also remind ourselves how powerful and great our God is.
- Here is a list of some of His names to help us worship Him specifically and personally:
  - Jehovah Rapha-Healer (Exodus 15:26)
  - Jehovah Jireh-Provider (Genesis 22:14)
  - Jehovah Shammah-There (Ezekiel 48:35)
  - Adonai-Lord/Master (Exodus 23:17, Matthew 1:20, Luke 2:29)
  - El Shaddai-God Almighty (Genesis 17:1)

**Hebrews 4:16**

### **For Small Group Discussion**

**Opening Questions:** Was there ever a time when you had a memorized prayer that you recited regularly? What was it? What was your main takeaway from the sermon this week?

**Main Point:** As we learn to pray like Jesus, it causes us to worship God because He is our father.

**Main Scripture:** Matthew 6:9

#### **Head Questions:**

- What does holy mean?
- If God is holy, how can we possibly be "holy"?

#### **Heart Questions:**

- How does your image of God affect how you pray?
- How has your relationship with your earthly father shaped your relationship with God?

#### **Hands Questions:**

- Since God is our Father, others in the church body are our brothers and sisters. Who has God placed in your life that needs a brother/sister in Christ this season?
- Challenge: Take time to stop and pray. Pray out loud. Pray with another person. Pray a prayer of adoration to the Father. Acknowledge the ways you see God's holiness.

**Additional Scripture:** Romans 8:15-17, Luke 11:2

**Tips and Resources:** *Fathered by God* by John Eldridge, *Knowledge of the Holy* by A.W. Tozer.



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