Kingdom Citizens – The Sermon on the Mount-Lesson 12

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"Pray, then, in this way:
"Our Father who is in heaven,
Hallowed be Your name.
"Your kingdom come.
Your will be done,
On earth as it is in heaven.
"Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.
And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil. [For Yours is the kingdom and the

power and the glory forever. Amen.'] --Matthew 6:9-13

Day 1—Verse 9

"Pray, then, in this way:
"Our Father who is in heaven,
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1. What is the then (or therefore in other translations) pointing us to?

2. Why do we call God Father?

a. What is the significance of praying to "Our Father"?

3.	Define hallowed.
	a. How can we hallow the name of God our Father?
	b. How might we bring condemnation on the name of God our Father?
4.	What does scripture say about the holiness of God?
5.	How does Ex. 20:7 help us understand how Jesus is teaching us to address God in prayer?
6.	What effects should God's holiness and hallowing His name have on our life and prayers?

Heart check:

- Do you struggle to see God as your father? If so, study who God is and how He identifies himself to His children so that you can rejoice that He is your father.
- We need to meditate on the holiness of our Father. We are never to be casual in our relationship with Him. Do you realize who you are praying to when you approach the Throne? Do you struggle with too casual an attitude in your dealings with Him? How can meditating on God's holiness and character as the bulk of your prayer life help change your heart on this matter?
- Do your prayers focus more on you or on God?

Day 2—Verse 10

Your kingdom come.

Your will be done,
On earth as it is in heaven. --Matthew 6:10

What does a Kingdom say about the character and position of God?
 In what way should we pray that God's kingdom will come?

4.	How can we know the will of God?
5.	In your own words, what do these passages teach us about the will of God?
	a. Proverbs 2:1-5
	b. Proverbs 3:5-6
	c. Micah 6:8
	d. Romans 12:2
	e. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18
	f. Hebrews 13:20-21
6.	What should our attitude be as we pray that God's will would be done? See Psalm 40:8, Proverbs 8:17, and Matthew 26:39.

Heart Check

- Whose kingdom are you building?
- Do you desire to build your kingdom or do you realize you are a slave in the Kingdom of God to do His will?
- Do you desire God's will or your will? Do you obey His commands? How do you respond when life doesn't go your way? How can this tell us whose kingdom we're building?
- Where do you go when you aren't sure what the will of God is?

Day 3—Verse 11

'Give us this day our daily bread. --Matthew 6:11

- 1. Why should we pray that God will give us our daily bread?

2. In Biblical times there were none of the modern day convivences that we have to keep food for long periods of time. How does this verse apply to us?

a. Is it wrong to keep large amounts of food in the freezer or an emergency pantry?

	b. How can Solomon's prayer in Proverbs 30:8-9 be a warning to us as live each day and prepare for the future and how does his prayer connect with Matthew 6:11?
3.	How does praying for these things keep us mindful of our dependence on God?
4.	What are we dependent on Him for?
5.	According to Matthew 7:11, what does God give his children when they ask?
6.	How does Matthew 6:25-32 connect with our passage?

7.	What might it show about our hearts when we do not ask Him for our daily needs?
	a. What is ungratefulness a sign of?
Heart	check:
•	Do you struggle to ask God for your daily needs?
•	Do you take for granted the daily things God gives you and that we are dependent on Him for (life, breath, food, a home)? How can you be more mindful to thank Him?
Day 4—Verse 12	
	'And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors Matthew 6:12
1.	If we have been completely justified and our sin past, present, and future fully forgiven, why do we need to continually ask God for forgiveness?
2.	What debt do we owe God?

3.	When God forgives us, what does he do with our debts? Use Scripture to support your answer.
4.	What does it look like to forgive the debts of others?
5.	Read Matthew 18:21-35. a. What does this parable teach us about the weight of our debt toward God?
	b. What does this parable teach us about the weight of others' debt toward us?
	c. What does this parable teach us about the weight of our debt toward others?

6	5.	What does God say is the penalty for our debt towards Him?
7	7.	Read Isaiah 59:1-2. What is the consequence of unconfessed sin?
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•	•	How seriously do you take the sin of unforgiveness?
Day 5—Verse 13		
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How does Romans 7:15, 18, 19 help us to understand why this prayer is so important in our lives?
What does Scripture say about God being our Deliverer?
a. What does it mean that He delivers us from evil?
b. What else does He deliver us from?
What are the sources of temptation in our lives?

6.	What aspects of God's character do you see from this verse?		
7.	There are brackets around the doxology (For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.'), which means it wasn't found in the earliest manuscripts. What other verses in Scripture tell us this doxology is true, and what does it say about God and His kingdom?		
Heart Check:			
•	One of the means God uses to not lead us into temptation is the pursuit holiness. His desire is for us to be careful what we watch, read, listen to, and even the places we go. Do you purposefully place yourself in situations that tempt you to compromise holiness? Evaluate what you watch and read, the places you go, and the things you spend your time on. Is there anything you need to cut off from your life?		
•	Using the doxology write your own prayer of praise to the Lord.		
Dig Deeper:			
1.	Seek to pray your way through the Psalms.		
2.	Start a gratitude journal.		