

HOME TALK

Making Disciples in the Middle of Everyday Life Mt 28:20a



Talking about The Lord's Prayer

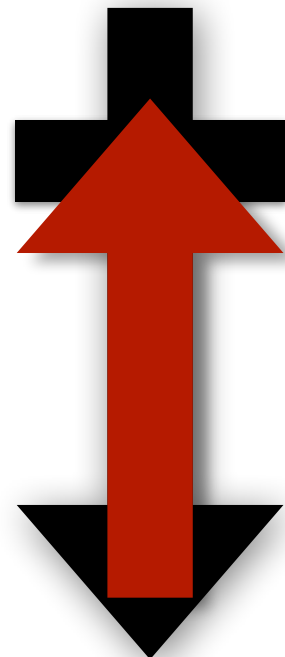
Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

Give us today our daily bread. What is meant by this?

God truly does give daily bread to all, even to the wicked, without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that He would make us aware that these gifts come from Him as a gift and enable us to receive these gifts with thanksgiving.

What is meant by daily bread?

By daily bread we mean everything that is required to satisfy our bodily needs, such as food and clothing, house and home, fields and flocks, money and property, pious parents and children, trustworthy servants, godly and faithful rulers, good government, seasonable weather, peace and health, order and honor, true friends, good neighbors, and the like.



304 Does God give you daily bread only when you ask for it?

No, he gives me daily bread even when I do not ask Him for it and when I do not receive it with thanksgiving.

Matthew 5:45b "... For he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust."

Psalm 145:15-16 "The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season. You open your hand; you satisfy the desire of every living thing."

305 How should you receive your daily bread?

I should receive it as a gift from God, with prayer for His blessing, and thanksgiving for His goodness.

James 1:17a "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above ..."

1 Corinthians 10:31 "So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God."

Ephesians 5:19b-20 "...singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."

306 Why do you pray for daily bread?

Jesus teaches me to pray for daily bread because He wants me to learn to be content with what He gives me each day and not to worry about the future.

Proverbs 30:8b "...give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with the food that is needful for me."

1 Timothy 6:6 " But godliness with contentment is great gain."

Matthew 6:34 "Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble."

Scriptures are noted in the English Standard Version

