

“The Lord’s Prayer”
Matthew 6:1, 6:5-15

Pastor Ed Lindquist

September 20 & 27, 2015

Giving to the Needy

1. “Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven.

Prayer

5. “And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full.
6. But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.
7. And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words.
8. Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.”

9. “This, then, is how you should 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 today our daily bread.
12. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.
13. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.’
14. For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you.
15. But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

There are six petitions in the Lord's Prayer.
The first three express God's priorities (Verses 9-10).
The last three focus on our needs. (Verses 11-13).

The address to the Lord's Prayer (Verse 9a)

I. God's priorities (Verses 9-10)

- 1) God's name (Verse 9b): "Your Name"
- 2) God's kingdom (Verse 10a): "Your kingdom"
- 3) God's will (Verse 10b): "Your will"

I. Our needs (Verses 11-13)

- 1) Our material need (Verse 11): “Our daily bread”**
- 2) Our spiritual need (Verse 12): “Forgive us our debts”**
- 3) Our moral need (Verse 13):**
 - a) “Lead us not” (negative)**
 - b) “Deliver us” (positive)**

Amen!