

“Teach Us to Pray”

Part 3 of 3

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Prayer

Petition

Another example:

- Sennacherib sends his commander to speak in the language of the people of Judah
- “Who is God?”
- “Who is Hezekiah?”
- “What have I done to all the other nations and their gods?”

2 Kings 19:14-19

God’s answer:

2 Kings 19:20 & 35-37

What things did you notice about Hezekiah’s prayer?

- Spread out the letter before the Lord
- Acknowledged that The Lord is the only God, of all kings and kingdoms &maker of heaven and earth
- Requested God’s help, so that *“all the kingdoms of the earth may know that He alone is God”*

What do we learn about God from Hezekiah’s prayer?

Repentance

King David and Bathsheba

As I read David’s prayer in Psalm 51, I want you to be looking for 1 or 2 things he says, that stand out to you, and I will ask you to share them with the class.

Psalm 51

What did you notice that David said in this prayer?

“Against you alone...”

What can we learn about prayer from this prayer of David?

Praise

Again, as I read Psalm 145, be looking for 1 or 2 things that stand out to you...

Psalm 145

Praise the Lord just for who He is!

What can we learn about prayer from this Psalm of praise?

Summary

What things can we learn from these passages about prayer, and how can we make use of them in our own times of prayer?

Closing

Read: Matthew 6:9-15

'Our Father

- Our Father – He loves us like a dad should love us.
- 2 times Paul uses the phrase **Abba Father**... (Romans 8:15 & Galatians 4:6)
- **Matthew 7:9-11**

9 "Or what man is there among you who, when his son asks for a loaf, will give him a stone? 10 "Or if he asks for a fish, he will not give him a snake, will he? 11 "If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give what is good to those who ask Him!

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who is in heaven,

- He is high and lifted up, He is in heaven, and...
Where God is, is where heaven is (He's not just a God who's far away somewhere)
- God sent His Son down to us (He sent some of heaven to us)
- **Matthew 18:20**

"For where two or three have gathered together in My name, I am there in their midst."

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Hallowed be Your name.

- Hallowed – To make Holy
- Your name is Holy; continue to make it Holy as only you can.

'Your kingdom come.

- His kingdom is coming!
- May it come quickly!

Your will be done,

- His will is perfect!
- His will is BEST!
- We need to always ask that His will be done!

On earth as it is in heaven.

- Since His will is perfect, ask that here on earth; **I** will live according to His will *and* that *all* will live according to His will!

'Give us this day our daily bread.

- Supply us with our **daily needs**

'And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

- (Reverse the order:) Forgive us **as** we have forgiven others

'And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

- The flesh I live in leads me into temptation, Satan leads me into temptation, Lord, protect me from myself and the Devil!

And how important is it that we forgive others?

14 " For if you forgive others for their transgressions, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. 15 "But if you do not forgive others, then your Father will not forgive your transgressions.
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Comments?

Closing Prayer