

JESUS ON PRAYER – 3
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REVIEW: MATTHEW 6:9-13

- Six principles of prayer: Praise, petition, provision, pardon, protection, and praise.
- God is our Father, He's above all things, and His Name is holy. **2 CHRONICLES 20:6**

CONTINUE: MATTHEW 6:10

THE PRINCIPLE OF PETITION

1. "Thy kingdom come."
 - A. The word kingdom means reign. **MATTHEW 3:2** The petition is a desire for God to reign everywhere; that His laws be obeyed; and the gospel be advanced till Christ comes to set up His millennial kingdom on earth.
 - B. **LUKE 17:20-21** – The kingdom within means we've given the king dominion over our lives. He reigns in our hearts.
 - C. **MATTHEW 13:24, 31-32, 33** – The kingdom is something that grows in our lives.
 - D. **ACTS 1:6-8** – They didn't get it. As much as Jesus talked to them about the kingdom, they still viewed it as pertaining to Him delivering them from earthly powers.
COLOSSIANS 1:13

2. "Thy will be done."
 - A. Prayer is joining forces with God to accomplish His purposes on earth.
MATTHEW 26:39 Jesus exalted the Father's will above His own.
 - B. God has a will and he gave us a will. It's up to us to submit our will to the Lordship of Christ and put God's will above ours.
 - C. **1 THESSALONIANS 5:18** – We choose to complain or be thankful. We choose to control our flesh and thoughts or not.
 - D. God's will is much better than ours. **JOHN 6:38** Jesus revealed the Father's will.
REVELATION 21:4 does also.
 - E. **1 JOHN 5:14-15** – Knowing God's will is a major key to having our prayers answered.
 - F. Before it's about "give us, forgive us, lead us, and deliver us," it's about "thy will be done."

3. Jesus instructed us to ask.
 - A. **MATTHEW 6:8** – Jesus didn't say "the Father knows your needs so don't ask."
 - B. **MATTHEW 7:7-11, JOHN 14:14-15, 15:7, 16:23-24**
 - C. **JAMES 4:3** – It's right to ask God for ourselves, our family, children, job or whatever our need may be, but our motives must be in line with God's will.
 - D. **PSALMS 20:5 (NLT, NKJV, ESV)**

CONCLUSION:

The Lord's prayer starts with God and ends with God, but in between, it's about us. Before petitioning our Father for what we need, we must learn as much as we can about God's will. Doing so enables us to pray correctly and effectively.