PRAYER PRINCIPLES "The Lord's Prayer" JULY 30, 2025

MT. 6:9-13

'The Lord's Prayer is a model prayer that reveals prayer principles. It begins with perspective and praise and ends with praise. In between, it's about us: give us, forgive us, lead us, deliver us.

The Breakdown

- 1. Perspective and Praise
 - A. Our Father speaks of relationship. JOHN 16:23-24, 27.
 - **B.** Which art in Heaven speaks of perspective. We appeal to the highest authority in the universe. He's above all, knows all, and sees all.
 - C. Hallowed be Thy Name, speaks of praise, honor, esteem, holiness.
- 2. Petition.
 - **A.** Thy Kingdom come. It's in us now, and soon to be among us.
 - **B.** Thy will be done. Our petitions find their roots in God's will. We're here to promote His will, not ours, 1 JOHN 5:14-15.
 - C. In Earth as it is in Heaven. There's nothing evil in Heaven!
- 3. Provision.
 - **A.** Give us this day. It's about today, not tomorrow.
 - **B.** Our daily bread. Air, water, food, clothes, shelter, finances, health, protection, wisdom, peace, fresh oil...
- 4. Pardon.
 - **A.** Forgive us our debts. \$53,800,000.00 A loan impossible to pay.
 - B. As we forgive our debtors. A loan possible to pay. MT. 18:32-35.
 - C. We choose to forgive because God chose to forgive us.
- 5. Protection.
 - **A.** Lead us not into temptation. Guide us by Your Word.
 - B. Deliver us from evil. From the evils of this age, GAL. 1:4, PS. 91.
- **6.** Praise.
 - **A.** Thine is the Kingdom. It's God's Kingdom and He is the King.
 - **B.** The Power. He's the all-powerful, omnipotent One.
 - C. The Glory. We live to glorify God, 1 PET. 4:10-11 NLT, ROM. 11:36 NLT, and JOHN 17:4-5 NLT.

Conclusion: This model prayer teaches us to have daily contact with our heavenly Father, and to look to Him for everything we need spiritually, emotionally, and physically. It teaches us to be thankful, worshipful, and to treat others the way God treats us.