



Teach us to Pray - Your Kingdom Come Your Will be Done Pt. 2

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Matthew 6:9-15 In this manner, therefore, 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 this day our daily bread. 12 And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors. 13 And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen. 14 "For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. 15 But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

Pray for His Kingdom to Come and His Will to be Done

When we say His Kingdom come, His will be done, we are talking about the Kingdom of God manifesting here on the earth and in us as we, His people, do His will.

One main reason people don't pray for God's Kingdom to come, is they have a lack of revelations of God's Kingdom and how that benefits them.

God wants to command us to do the things that establish and manifest His Kingdom, but we must allow Him. That's why the Holy Spirit is crying out in us "Abba Father".

The Kingdom of God is the New Testament Gospel / Good News that Jesus and His disciples preached.

Jesus preached this Gospel. **Mark 1:14-15 Now after John was put in prison, Jesus came to Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, 15 and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."** (the word Gospel means good news).

This is the Gospel that the Apostles preached- **Acts 8:12. But when they believed Philip as he preached the things concerning the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, both men and women were baptized.**

Notice that the apostles preached the kingdom of God and Jesus Christ, which should be taught hand and hand.

So, we see Jesus and the Apostles only preached the Gospel (Good News) of the Kingdom of God and Jesus Christ.

The Apostle Paul Preached the Kingdom of God and the King of that Kingdom, Jesus Christ, until the day he died.

Acts 28:23 So when they had appointed him a day, many came to him at his lodging, to whom he explained and solemnly testified of the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus from both the Law of Moses and the Prophets, from morning till evening.

To fully comprehend the Kingdom of God in connection with Jesus Christ, it's essential to have some understanding of both the Old and New Testaments.



Acts 28:30-31 Then Paul dwelt two whole years in his own rented house, and received all who came to him, 31 preaching the kingdom of God and teaching the things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ with all confidence, no one forbidding him.

Notice that the scripture makes it clear the Good News that is to be preached is Jesus Christ and the Kingdom of God.

This is the Gospel Jesus said must be preached until His second coming. **Matthew 24:14 And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.**

For the most part, I believe that the church is doing a good job in teaching about Jesus Christ and Him being our savior and all we need to get to heaven; but has not entirely taught about the Kingdom of God and how it affects our lives now and forevermore.

The Kingdom of God revolves around three fundamental elements: the King, His Domain, and His guiding principles.

1. King Jesus Christ, the sovereign ruler whose authority transcends time and space, is at the heart of this kingdom.
2. His Domain is large and complex, extending beyond just physical areas into both visible and spiritual worlds. The vast majority of the Kingdom of God's territory cannot be seen with the naked eye. It can be intimate and public all at the same time.
3. More intimately, His Domain resides in the hearts of us who have experienced the transformative power of being born again by way of the Holy Spirit, guiding our thoughts, actions, and interactions with God and the world around us.

The kingdom of God is a divine realm designed to remove the burdens of worry and fear from the daily existence of its citizens.

Luke 12:29-32 "And do not seek what you should eat or what you should drink, nor have an anxious mind. 30 For all these things the nations of the world seek after, and your Father knows that you need these things. 31 But seek the kingdom of God, and all these things shall be added to you.

The Kingdom of God allows us to live a life of peace and confidence, setting us free from daily anxieties.

God is saying seek the Kingdom and leave the provisions up to me.

Luke 12:32 "Do not fear, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

It is the Father's pleasure to give us the Kingdom, which encompasses

- a. The principles of the Kingdom.
- b. The wisdom of the King.
- c. The treasure of the Kingdom, which is His Authority, Power, and Wealth.

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The Kingdom Manual (The Bible)

The Kingdom manual (**The Bible**) is a guide for its citizens to follow. This guide outlines the mindset of the King, which can deeply impact the lives of His followers through the Holy Spirit.

The Spirit instills these values and principles that reflect the King's character.

This manual explains that the Kingdom is a realm where God's love, grace, authority, power, and righteousness reign supreme, inviting all its citizens to partake in the King's life-giving abundance by embracing the promises written within.

Furthermore, this manual emphasizes that the Kingdom is governed by love and principles aligned with the Father's will and righteousness. It also describes how we should live and interact with God and one another.

The Kingdom of God operates by faith; that is why Jesus tells His audience in **Luke 12:32** not to fear. For the King, through His Kingdom, will/has abundantly provided for us.

Matthew 7:11 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 good things to those who ask Him!

James 1:17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning.

God already knows what we need and desire before we ask.

Now, prayerfully, we finally see how important it is to pray for his Kingdom to come because when we do that, we're praying that the very essence of God is manifesting in us and around us.

Even though we know that God has already provided for us everything we need and desire, we must receive it by faith.

Hebrews 11:1 (Amplified Version) NOW FAITH is the assurance (*the confirmation, the title deed*) of the things [we] hope for, being the proof of things [we] do not see and the conviction of their reality [*faith perceiving as real fact what is not revealed to the senses*].

Instead of repeatedly asking God to meet your needs, over and over, ask God to increase your faith! Ask Him to increase your confidence in Him that He knows your need or desire, and He is ready to answer.

Mark 9:23-24 Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes.

As we pray for God's Kingdom to Come, don't throw away your confidence in Him and His Word.

Fight to stay confident in Him and His word no matter how present situations may look.

If your confidence doesn't look like this, you have lost it.

1 John 5:14-15: "Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know (*act like it is a done deal*) that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know (*act like it is a done deal*) that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him."

Hebrews 10:35-36 Therefore do not cast away your confidence, which has great reward. 36 For you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise:

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God's will, is to love and walk by faith, **Romans 1:17 For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, "The just shall live by faith."**

Doing the will of God is not always easy, but doable because we have God's Help.

Philippians 1:6 being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ;

So, we see that allowing God to work His will through us will manifest the Promises of the Kingdom.

We need to understand we are in the middle of a good work.

Hebrews 13:20-21 Now may the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, 21 make you complete in every good work to do His will, working in you what is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Notice that God wants us complete so that we can do His will, and it is His will, that the promise for the blessing, the new covenant, manifest in our lives.

The word "complete" in Greek means "to put a thing in its appropriate condition or the way it is supposed to be".