FOR FAMILIES TO LEARN AND GROW TOGETHER IN JESUS

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The Lord's Prayer: God's Will

Matthew 6:10; Matthew 26:36-46



The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,

your will be done on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

THE LESSON

Jesus and his disciples go to the Garden of Gethsemane on the night he will be arrested. Jesus tells some of his disciples to sit and wait while he goes to pray. He takes Peter, James, and John with him into the garden and says, "My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me." The three men say they will keep watch, but after Jesus walks away, they fall asleep.

Jesus goes a little father into the garden, falls with his face to the ground and prays, "My Father, if it is possible, may this cup—[the suffering and death on the cross]—be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will."

Jesus knows what is going to happen to him and how he will suffer great pain and death. As part human, Jesus would rather not suffer this pain and death, yet he prays, "Not as I will, my heavenly Father, but as you will." Read more about it using the Bible links above.

Jesus teaches us that God's will is most important. Wanting God's will to be done rather than our own, is the way it should be. Wanting God's will to be done should also be a big part of our prayers.

THE POINT

Wanting God's will is part of prayer.

Watch & Learn More







Jesus Prays

Sing Praises to the Lord









I Can Pray Pray About Everything

My God Is Powerful

Good in Every Way



See if **God's Will** Has Happened in Your Life

(Click the video link in the title, watch, and discuss the questions below.)

- 1. What was the boy praying for God to give him?
- 2. Did he get what he prayed for? Explain.
- 3. The boy always ended his prayers to God with the words, "Your will be done." Do you think he really meant it? Explain.
- 4. Whose will was the boy hoping would be fulfilled?
- 5. Have you ever prayed for something that you didn't get? Share.
- 6. Why do you think you didn't get this thing?
- 7. The video said, "When you pray for God's will, be prepared to experience something more amazing than you could have imagined." What does that mean?
- 8. How did the boy get something from God that was more amazing than he could have imagined?
- 9. How is it that God gives us just the right thing at the right time?
- 10. Why is really wanting God's will to be done in our lives the best desire possible?
- 11. What is God's ultimate will for you and your family?
- 12. What did God sacrifice in order to give you heaven someday?



Through the Week

- As a family, gather together each morning to pray for God's will to be done in your lives that day.
- Whenever someone faces an important or difficult choice, that person will stop and pray for God's will to be done.
- At the end of each day, talk about how it made a difference that day to seek God's will instead of your own.



Let Us Pray Together

O Lord, my Heavenly Father, I praise your holy name. I pray for your will to be done in my life and in this world, for your way to rule here on earth as it does in heaven. I'm not in control, Lord, you are, even though that's often hard for me to admit and accept. I'm releasing what comes next into your hands, O Lord, and trusting you fully. I want to step into whatever path you lay before me, even when it looks different from what I thought I wanted. For I know you have bigger plans for my life, so I submit my life to your will. I will trust and obey you with an eager and joyful heart. Father, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.