

TEACH US TO

PRAY

A black silhouette of a person kneeling in prayer, positioned in front of the large word 'PRAY'. The person is facing left, with their hands clasped in front of their chest. The background is a textured, golden-brown surface.



Lord Teach Us

**Just because we ask
does not obligate
God to grant it**

to Pray





Lord Teach Us

This, then, is how you should pray: “Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.

Matthew 6:9-13

to Pray





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Needs

Physical Needs: Basic: Food, Shelter, Clothes, Transportation, or Health

Emotional Needs : Loneliness or the loss of a loved one

This makes up about 95% of our public prayer life

About the here and Now

to Pray





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Running God's Numbers

The model prayer as it exists in Matthew 6 is 53 words long

The request for needs is only 6 words

When Jesus taught prayer only 11% of the prayer was for needs

No matter what translation you use, its by far shortest section

to Pray





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**It's not wrong
to ask for needs.**

to Pray



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Praying for Needs

(And maturing your prayer life)



to Pray



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Give

**Defined: cause or allow
someone to
have something**

to Pray





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What We Want to God to do
If you, then, though you are evil, know
how to give good gifts to your
children, how much more will your
Father in heaven give good gifts to
those who ask him!

Matthew 6:9-13

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Conditions on Asking

What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from your desires that battle within you? You desire but do not have, so you kill. You covet but you cannot get what you want, so you quarrel and fight. You do not have because you do not ask God. When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.

James 4:1-3

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Us and Our Defined

Us: used by a speaker to refer to themselves and one or more other people

Our: Belonging to or associated with the speaker and one or more other people

to Pray





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**We are to make requests
for my needs and others needs**

**Maturity -- When you start out in prayer this is the
easiest thing to pray for**

We begin with learning to pray for my needs

**We then mature by learning to ask for needs of
others**

to Pray





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Maturing Requests

And do not set your heart on what you will eat or drink; do not worry about it. For the pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them. But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

Luke 12:29-31

to Pray





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**Should it be prayed for
If its important to you
it's important to God**

**James says prayer for your
needs starts with YOU**

**If YOU are not willing to take time
to pray for a need, you should NOT ask
others to pray for the need**

to Pray





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Bread

In His culture it would have been the most basic of "purchasable" needs

**Thus the request for bread means
no need is too small**

Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord.

to Pray





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**How you pray is a direct
indicator of you maturity
level as a Christian**

**How the church prays
is sort of an indicator of
the maturity level of the body**

to Pray





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Today/Daily Defined

Today: This present day

**Daily: Done, produced, or occurring
every day**

to Pray





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Daily Prayer Changes the...

Point of Prayer

Persistence of Prayer

Praise of Prayer

Priority of Prayer

Pray Daily!

to Pray



Prayer Challenge

Prayer Log

