

# The Grace Class

## Prayer

### Scriptural References

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## Matthew 6:5-15

### Prayer

"And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by men. I tell you the truth, they have received their reward in full. But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words. Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

"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.  
Forgive us our debts,  
as we also have forgiven our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from the evil one.<sup>[a]</sup> For if you forgive men when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

**Footnotes:**

- a. [Matthew 6:13](#) Or from evil; some late manuscripts one, / for yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

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## Luke 11:1-13

### Jesus' Teaching on Prayer

One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples."

He said to them, "When you pray, say:

" 'Father,<sup>[a]</sup>

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come.<sup>[b]</sup>

Give us each day our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins,

for we also forgive everyone who sins against us.<sup>[c]</sup>

And lead us not into temptation.<sup>[d]</sup> "

Then he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and he goes to him at midnight and says, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, because a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have nothing to set before him.'

"Then the one inside answers, 'Don't bother me. The door is already locked, and my children are with me in bed. I can't get up and give you anything.' I tell you, though he will not get up and give him the bread because he is his friend, yet because of the man's boldness<sup>[e]</sup> he will get up and give him as much as he needs.

"So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door

will be opened.

"Which of you fathers, if your son asks for<sup>[f]</sup> a fish, will give him a snake instead? Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? 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 the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

**Footnotes:**

- a. [Luke 11:2](#) Some manuscripts Our Father in heaven
- b. [Luke 11:2](#) Some manuscripts come. May your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
- c. [Luke 11:4](#) Greek everyone who is indebted to us
- d. [Luke 11:4](#) Some manuscripts temptation but deliver us from the evil one
- e. [Luke 11:8](#) Or persistence
- f. [Luke 11:11](#) Some manuscripts for bread, will give him a stone; or if he asks for

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## Jeremiah 23:6

In his days Judah will be saved  
and Israel will live in safety.  
This is the name by which he will be called:  
The LORD Our **Righteousness**.

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## John 17:17

Sanctify<sup>[a]</sup> them by the truth; your word is truth.

**Footnotes:**

- a. [John 17:17](#) Greek hagiazo (set apart for sacred use or make holy also in verse 19)

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## Judges 6:24

So Gideon built an altar to the LORD there and called it The LORD is **Peace**. To this day it stands in Ophrah of the Abiezrites.

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# Psalm 23

## A psalm of David.

The LORD is my **shepherd**, I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures,  
he leads me beside quiet waters,

he restores my soul.

He guides me in paths of righteousness  
for his name's sake.

Even though I walk

through the valley of the shadow of death, <sup>[a]</sup>

I will fear no evil,

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff,

they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies.

You anoint my head with oil;

my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and love will follow me  
all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD  
forever.

### Footnotes:

- a. [Psalm 23:4](#) Or through the darkest valley

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# Exodus 17:15

Moses built an altar and called it The LORD is my **Banner**.

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# Ephesians 6:10-18

## The Armor of God

<sup>10</sup> Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. <sup>11</sup> Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. <sup>12</sup> For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. <sup>13</sup> Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. <sup>14</sup> Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, <sup>15</sup> and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup> In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. <sup>17</sup> Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. <sup>18</sup> And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints.

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