"Jesus Teaches His Disciples to Pray" <u>Matthew 6: 9 - 15</u>

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<u>Disciple</u> = "mathetes" = not only a learner, but attached to the teacher

- A Jesus follower in doctrine and conduct

Many call this *"The Lord's Prayer"*, but it is really the Disciple's Prayer

<u>Verse 9</u>

The First Petition

"<u>Our Father in heaven</u>"

This is family prayer; believers are in God's family

We are children of God, sons and daughters of the King – John 1:12

<u>Children</u> = "teknon" = son as an offspring (born again)

We inherit what Jesus the Son has - <u>Ephesians 1: 11</u> <u>Colossians 3: 24</u> <u>Hebrews 9: 14</u> <u>Romans 8: 17</u>

"Hallowed be Your name"

Holy, honored, revered, above *all*!

Name refers to the nature of an individual, in this case, *GOD*!!

<u>Verse 10</u>

The Second and Third Petition

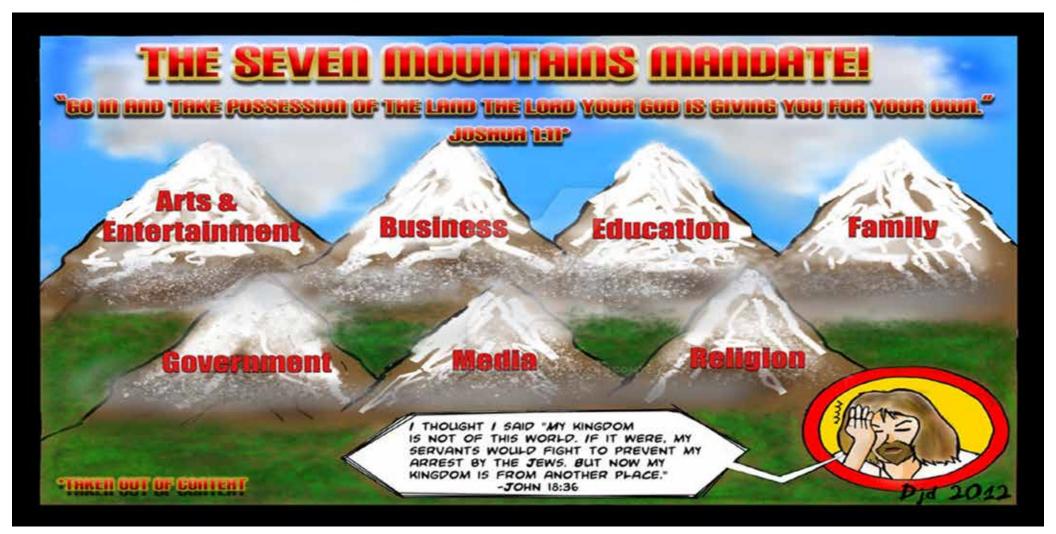
Second Petition – "Your Kingdom come"

The cry of every believer is *"Maranatha!"*

Even so come Lord Jesus!



The Kingdom is future – not now!



Jesus will return and crush antichrist's kingdom





The dream revealed events that would take place over a long span of time. The culmination, however, was to take place in the last days

Daniel 2:28, 31-45

Head of fine gold = Babylonian Empire

Breast and Arms of Silver = Mede and Persian Empires

Belly and thighs of Brass = Macedonian Empire

Legs of Iron = Roman Empire

Feet and Toes of Clay = Kingdoms that arose after the fall of the Roman Empire





Roman Imperialism Unified Roman Imperialism Divided Global Roman Imperialism Global Roman Imperialism 10 Regional divisions Global Roman Imperialism Antichrist rules Third Petition – "<u>Your will be done on earth</u> <u>as it is in heaven</u>"

In this prayer, I yield my control, my will, to You, Lord Jesus

After salvation, my entire life is directed at submitting my rights and my ways to Jesus' rule

The second phase of salvation is *"sanctification",* set apart to God



Verse 11 The Fourth Petition

"<u>Give us this day our daily bread</u>"

When we ask for bread, we are asking for the *Sustainer of Life* to supply our needs

Asking God to supply our needs does not free us from the responsibility of working

Our responsibility is clear - <u>Colossians 3: 23</u>

Shock your employer: (4 keys to success from Benham brothers)

1) Produce more in work that you take in pay

2) Be faithful in the little things

3) Be a fountain, not a drain

4) Breathe life

Verse 12 The Fifth Petition

"Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors"

First century Judaism uses <u>debts</u> as an idiom for sins

Jesus calls our sins <u>debts</u> because we owe a penalty, the death penalty - <u>Ezekiel 18: 20</u>

Jesus paid our <u>debt</u> for sin, His life for my life!

Thank God for sending Jesus to die in my place and pay my sin debt!!

I have been forgiven much, I must forgive others, this is the Jesus way!

When we forgive others, we are doing what Jesus modeled

You are being prepared for the Kingdom, *your* prep starts here!

Verse 13 The Sixth Petition

"<u>Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us</u> <u>from the evil one</u>"

Our prayer is that God will keep us from the horrendous pull of temptation

That God will deliver us from the schemes *(wiles, methodia)* of the evil one **Ephesians 6: 11**

Guard your mind, guard your life!

Stay close to the Shepherd, He will protect you from the evil one and his schemes <u>2 Thessalonians 3: 3</u>

"But the Lord is faithful, and He will strengthen and protect you from the evil one"



<u>Verse 14 - 15</u>

A spirit of forgiveness toward others

If we do not forgive others, our relationship with God will be hindered

Forgiveness allows you to be like Paul and *move on!* - <u>Philippians 3: 13-14</u>

Do not dwell on past sins against you - *move on*! Do not dwell on past failures - *move on*! Do not allow your past to define your future *move on*!

You can be free from all the pain of the past *move on*!

FIDO – forget it and drive on!

This may help you -*STAY YOKED TO JESUS!!*

Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light." Matthew 11:28-30 NKJV

CLOSING THOUGHTS:

This is a disciple of Christ prayer

A pattern, a model prayer

This prayer is straight forward and simple, *but deeply profound*!

Jesus has taught us the Jesus way to pray!

Now go and do what you have been taught!

The Disciples of Christ prayer:

Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done n earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors. 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