

A scenic landscape of a mountain valley, likely Yosemite, with a blue-to-green gradient overlay. The image shows rugged mountains, a valley with a river, and dense evergreen forests. The sky is filled with dramatic, dark clouds. The overall mood is serene and majestic.

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Matthew 6:5-15

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⁵And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ⁶But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

⁷And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. ⁸Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

Matthew 6:5-15

⁹Pray then like this:

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.

¹⁰Your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

¹¹Give us this day our daily bread,
¹²and forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.

¹³And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

Matthew 6:5-15

¹⁴For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, ¹⁵but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

The Lord's Prayer – Matthew 6

- What is your purpose in praying? – (vs. 5-8)
- What is your method of praying? – (vs. 9-13)
- Why does Jesus emphasize forgiveness? – (vs. 14-15)

Rooted in...

- Christ
 - 1 John 1:1-4

I John 1:1-4

¹That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— ²the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us— ³that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. ⁴And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

Rooted in...

- Christ
 - 1 John 1:1-4
- The Light
 - 1 John 1:5-10

I John 1:5-10

⁵This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. ⁷But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

Rooted in...

- Christ
 - 1 John 1:1-4
- The Light
 - 1 John 1:5-10
- Obedience
 - 1 John 2:3-6; 1 John 3:7-10

I John 2:1-6

¹My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. ²He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. ³And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments. ⁴Whoever says “I know him” but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, ⁵but whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may know that we are in him: ⁶whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.

I John 3:7-10

⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous. ⁸Whoever makes a practice of sinning is of the devil, for the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil. ⁹No one born of God makes a practice of sinning, for God's seed abides in him; and he cannot keep on sinning, because he has been born of God. ¹⁰By this it is evident who are the children of God, and who are the children of the devil: whoever does not practice righteousness is not of God, nor is the one who does not love his brother.

Rooted in...

- Christ
 - 1 John 1:1-4
- The Light
 - 1 John 1:5-10
- Obedience
 - 1 John 2:3-6; 1 John 3:7-10
- Love
 - John 13:1-15; John 17:22-26

John 13

- Jesus knew his hour was coming, in love persevered to the end (v. 1)
- Jesus lovingly washed Judas' feet though he knew Judas would betray him and the devil had already placed the desire within Judas' heart. (vs. 2-5)
- When challenged by Peter for washing their feet, Jesus rebuked him and demonstrated what His love looks like by washing the feet of the disciples, even when He knows one of them would betray Him. (vs. 6-15)

John 17:20-26

²⁰I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²²The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, ²³I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me.

John 17:20-26

²⁴Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. ²⁵O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

What is Your Purpose in Praying?

- We should not pray to be seen by others
- We should not pray convince God to listen to us
- We need to rest in the sovereignty of God and recognize that he knows what we need well before we come to him in prayer.

What is Your Method of Praying?

- Our Prayers must firstly glorify God.
- Our Prayers must seek God's will above any other person's will (especially our own).
- Our Prayers must recognize that God is sovereign and will provide exactly what we need, no matter what we want.
- Our Prayers must recognize that Christ expects us to have already forgiven those who have sinned against us.
- Our Prayers must recognize that we are helpless to overcome sin outside of God's power.

Why does Jesus Emphasize Forgiveness?

- If we are properly rooted in Christ, the Light, Obedience, and Love, when we truly understand the depth of the gospel and our own forgiveness, we must forgive those who have sinned against us.
- When we hold onto the resentment and pain of the sin committed against us, we place ourselves in a position higher than God, who was willing to enter the world to die for our sins, so that we can have forgiveness.

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