

FAMILY CONFIRMATION

Worksheet #16

“The **Lord’s Prayer**: Petitions 3 and 4”

Memory Work: Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. What does this mean? The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also.

How is God’s will done? God’s will is done when He breaks and hinders every evil plan and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, **which do not want us to hallow God’s name or let His kingdom come; and** when He strengthens and keeps us firm in His Word and faith until we die. This is His good and gracious will.

1. What is the will of God and what is the specific focus of this petition? See Questions 261 and 262.

2. How does God keep us in faith? See Question 263.

3. When will Satan’s defeat be complete? See Question 264.

4. What is God’s will for your life and how should you make decisions regarding your life? See Questions 265-267.

Memory Work: Give us this day our daily bread. What does this mean? God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.

What is meant by daily bread? Daily bread includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home, land, animals, money, goods, a devout husband or wife, devout children, devout workers, devout and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, self-control, good reputation, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.

5. Why does God provide for the earthly needs of everyone, even apart from prayer? See Question 269.

6. For what do we pray in this petition? See Question 272.

7. How does God provide our daily bread and how does He want us to use it? See Questions 273 and 274.

Prayer: Close your study with the Lord’s Prayer.

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