

The Lord's Prayer

“Hallowed be His Name”
Do You Know God's Name?

River of Life Community Church

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Lord's Prayer - Part 6

Let's Pray The Lord's Prayer together

➤ Matthew 6:9-13

“Our Father which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done in earth,
as *it is* in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil:
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, for ever. Amen. - KJV

Moving on From “Our Father”

- It is because of what Jesus did that we can call God our Father and that we have been adopted into the family of God
 - **John 1:9** The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. **10** He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. **11** He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. **12** Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God—
13 children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband’s will, but born of God. – NLT 2
 - **Ephesians 1:5** God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure. – NLT 2

Does God have a name?

- In Exodus 3 – God reveals His name to Moses and ultimately to the people of Israel

Exodus 3:11 But Moses protested to God, “Who am I to appear before Pharaoh? Who am I to lead the people of Israel out of Egypt?” 12 God answered, “I will be with you. And this is your sign that I am the one who has sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will worship God at this very mountain.” 13 But Moses protested, “If I go to the people of Israel and tell them, ‘The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,’ they will ask me, ‘What is his name?’ Then what should I tell them?” 14 God replied to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM. Say this to the people of Israel: I AM has sent me to you.” 15 God also said to Moses, “Say this to the people of Israel: Yahweh, the God of your ancestors—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob—has sent me to you.

This is my eternal name, my name to remember for all generations. 16 “Now go and call together all the elders of Israel. Tell them, ‘Yahweh, the God of your ancestors—the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob—has appeared to me. He told me, “I have been watching closely, and I see how the Egyptians are treating you. 17 I have promised to rescue you from your oppression in Egypt. I will lead you to a land flowing with milk and honey—the land where the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites, and Jebusites now live.”’ – NLT 2



Hei

Waw

Hei

Yud

Does God have a name?

The Name YHWH

Four Hebrew Letters pronounced:

Yud-Hei-Waw-Hei

Remember Hebrew is written from right to left

God reveals His Name and Person

- People of Israel had been in Egypt 400 years.
 - They knew of the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob
 - They had earlier writings passed down from the Patriarchs (Dead Sea Scrolls showing strong evidence for this)
 - But, they did not know who their God was
 - Not only were they introduced to their God Yahweh
 - They see His power demonstrated over the gods of Egypt
 - The Plagues of Exodus were a judgment on the gods of Egypt and a deliverance of the people of Israel from those false gods

Plagues of Egypt and Judgment of the Egyptian gods

1. **Moses Staff turning to a snake and swallowing the other snakes** –The *Hebrew* snake swallowing the *Egyptian* snakes, in the name of the “God of Israel,” would have been a startling display of supremacy.
2. **Rivers turned to blood** - Osiris – The Nile was considered the bloodstream of Osiris
3. **Plague of Frogs** – Against Hequet – The Frog god
4. **Dust to Lice** – Judgment against the priests and wise men of Egypt. It was this judgment that caused them to admit defeat (Herodotus – They despised vermin)
5. **Swarms of flies** – Judgment against various deities associated with flies and insects including the goddesses Wadjet, Iusaaset and Khepri, who was depicted with the head of a beetle.

Plagues of Egypt and Judgment of the Egyptian gods

- 6. Death of Livestock** – Hathor (Nurturer of the Pharaohs) & Aphis the Bull representing Pharaoh's strength
- 7. Boils** – Judgment against Sekhmet, goddess of epidemics and healing; Thoth, god of medical knowledge; Isis, goddess of healing; Nephthys, goddess of health
- 8. Hail & Fire** – Judgment against the gods Nut, goddess of the sky and Shu, protector of the atmosphere
- 9. Locusts** - This plague struck at a number of important crop deities, including the grain gods Neper, Nepri, Heneb and Renenutet, as well as Isis and Set, two gods responsible for protecting the nation's crops.
- 10. Darkness** – Judgment against Amon Ra the Sun God

Takeaways

1. God reveals Himself as a Holy God – There is no one else like Him

- **Deuteronomy 4: 35-38** “**Deut. 4:35** “He showed you these things so you would know that the LORD is God and there is no other. **36** He let you hear his voice from heaven so he could instruct you. He let you see his great fire here on earth so he could speak to you from it. **37** Because he loved your ancestors, he chose to bless their descendants, and he personally brought you out of Egypt with a great display of power. **38** He drove out nations far greater than you, so he could bring you in and give you their land as your special possession, as it is today.
- **39** “So remember this and keep it firmly in mind: The LORD is God both in heaven and on earth, and there is no other. **40** If you obey all the decrees and commands I am giving you today, all will be well with you and your children. I am giving you these instructions so you will enjoy a long life in the land the LORD your God is giving you for all time.” – NLT 2

Takeaways

2. He is the Eternal God

- He remembers – The Covenant of Abraham, Isaac, & Jacob are promises all to be kept to their descendants
- In fact God is the God of the living and not the dead – Past, Present, and Future are available to the Eternal One
- I cannot understand this and am suspicious of anyone who says they do . . .
- Remember, He foretold the captivity of Israel in Egypt and their deliverance to Abraham 400 years before!
- He is **El Olam** – The God without beginning or end!
- What does that tell you about trusting God with your life?

3. He is the God of compassion who hears the cries of His people

- **Exodus 2:23** Years passed, and the king of Egypt died. But the Israelites continued to groan under their burden of slavery. They cried out for help, and their cry rose up to God. **24** God heard their groaning, and he remembered his covenant promise to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. **25** He looked down on the people of Israel and knew it was time to act. – NLT 2

House Church Response

1. What did the Lord reveal to you today in the Word?
2. Spend some time in prayer giving thanks to God for WHO HE IS and what HE HAS DONE IN YOUR LIFE!