



DIGGING DEEPER

Small Group Discussion Guide: Matthew 6:10

DIGGING DEEPER GUIDE FOR LORD'S PRAYER SERIES

During this 7-week series on the Lord's Prayer, we will unpack how Jesus teaches his disciples to pray one phrase at a time. **Before you begin your discussion, take a moment to pray together.** Invite the Holy Spirit to open your hearts and minds to what He wants to show you. Ask Him to guide your conversation, help you listen well to one another, and reveal how He is inviting you to grow.

READ THE PASSAGE TOGETHER: Matthew 6:10

DISCUSSION GUIDE

Don't feel pressured to get through every question! Follow as the Spirit leads and spend your time on the questions that spark meaningful conversation.

1. **Read Matthew 6:10a.** Jesus' first followers expected God's kingdom to arrive with armies and thrones, but it came through a carpenter, a cross, and an empty tomb. The kingdom is "already" here in Jesus, yet "not yet" here in full. Where do you see signs of God's kingdom breaking in around you right now, and where do you most long for it to come in fullness?
2. **Read Matthew 6:10a again.** J.I. Packer writes that no one can sincerely pray "your kingdom come" without adding, "and start with me." What area of your life are you most reluctant to place under King Jesus' rule, and what makes it hard to let go?
3. **Read Matthew 26:39.** In Gethsemane, Jesus prayed this same petition at enormous cost: "Not as I will, but as you will." Paul David Tripp describes prayer as handing God a blank sheet that you have already signed and trusting Him to fill it in. What situation in your life right now is hardest to "sign the blank sheet" for, and why?
4. **Read Matthew 6:10c.** In heaven, God's will is done gladly, completely, and without grumbling. On earth, most of God's will gets done not in extraordinary moments but through ordinary faithfulness in our homes, workplaces, neighborhoods, and friendships. Where is one ordinary place this week where you can pray, and live, "your will be done here, as it is in heaven"?

SHARE & PRAYER

As we anchor ourselves in the Lord's Prayer for this series, we want to grow in our awareness of the ways God's Kingdom is breaking in! We invite you to cultivate the practice of paying attention as you go about your week, pausing to reflect, noticing where you see God at work, and sharing what you've experienced. As we learn to notice and name what God is doing, we become more aware of His presence and more attentive to the ways He is inviting us to participate in what He is doing. **Take on the weekly challenge to pay attention and come prepared to share with your group!**

- **SHARE:** Where have you seen God at work this week? Share a story, moment, conversation, answered prayer, unexpected provision, opportunity, or anything else that made you aware of God. (This could be in your own life, someone else's life, our church, or the world around you).
- **RESPOND:** What might God be inviting you to do, see, trust, change or participate in this week?
- **PRAY:** Share prayer requests and pray together. Incorporate this week's focus from the Lord's Prayer and ask: What does this part of the prayer invite us to ask God?





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Fair Oaks Church Sermon Podcast (Apple Pod & Spotify)

- Listen to Sunday messages posted weekly
- Listen to Cutting Room Floor episodes that further unpack sermons

UPCOMING EVENTS [Learn more at fairoaks.church/events](https://fairoaks.church/events)

- **2027 Mission Trip Applications Open** | Due by 11/30 | Submit online at fairoaks.church/missions
- **10/1: WFO Women's Brunch** | 9:30–11:30a | Family Life Center (AMC Room) | Monthly gathering with a featured speaker. Women of all ages welcome!
- **10/9: Distribution Day at FO/OV Food Bank** | 2nd Friday of the month | 9a-12:30p | Help pack and distribute food | Sign up to help at fairoaks.church/events
- **10/9: Sisterhood Women's Gathering** | 6:30–8p | FLC Conference Rooms | Speaker: Jessica Benton, teaching on redemption and transformation | RSVP at fairoaks.church/events
- **10/11: Food Drive** | 9a-Noon | Worship Center Lobby (Designated Drop off spot near balcony stairs)
- **10/14: Hope Gathering Widows Group** | 5-7pm | Potluck dinner and fellowship | Contact Twila for more information (916) 616-4707 or tbuffalo4@hotmail.com.
- **10/17: Men's Breakfast** | 8-10a | Family Life Center, AMC | Experience fellowship, food, community and time together! | RSVP at fairoaks.church/events
- **10/18: Partnership Track** | 12–4p | Explore church membership & baptism | Details at fairoaks.church/events
- **10/23: Ditch the Parents** | ages 5 through 5th grade | 5-9p | Kids & Youth Center | Games, crafts, food & a movie | No costumes please | Cost: \$15/child | Register at fairoaks.church/events (closes 10/21)

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