Matthew 6:10 "His Kingdom... His will"

OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN, HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME...

"HALLOWED" "to make holy, separated, and transcendent."

Hallowed be your NAME ... Name THE CHARACTER OF GOD who He is!

His Natural ATTRIBUTES, HIS MOBAL ATTRIBUTS AND ALL THAT STANDS

BEHIND HIS HOLY NAME.

Transcendent God is above His creation. Immanent He is actively involved within His creation. Eternal God has no beginning or ending. Infinite No limitation in space. Immutable God is not capable of nor susceptible to change. Omniscience ALL KNOWING. Omnipotent God is ALL powerful!

Omnipresent God is everywhere present in the universe.

TRUTH... LOVE OH HALLOWED BY THY NAMEL, "Psalm 8:1" O LORD, our Lord, How excellent is Your name in all the earth.

ELOHIM... meaning "God", a reference to God's power and might. Gen. 1:1, Ps 19:1 ADONAL meaning "Lord", a reference to the Lordship of God. Malachi 1:6 JEHOVAH -- YAHWEH... a reference to God's divine salvation. Genesis 2:4 JEHOVAH-MACCADDESHEM... meaning "The Lord thy sanctifier" Exodus 31:13 JEHOVAH-ROHI ... meaning "The Lord my shepherd" Psalm 23:1 JEHOVAH-SHAMMAH... meaning "The Lord who is present" Ezekiel 48:35 JEHOVAH-RAPHA... meaning "The Lord our healer" Exodus 15:26 JEHOVAH-TSIDKENU... meaning "The Lord our righteousness" Jer, 23:6 JEHOVAH-JIREH ... meaning "The Lord will provide" Genesis 22:13-14 JEHOVAH-NISSI... meaning "The Lord our banner" Exodus 17:15 JEHOVAH-SHALOM... meaning "The Lord is peace" Judges 6:24 JEHOVAH-SABBAOTH... meaning "The Lord of Hosts" Isaiah 6:1-3 JEHOVAH-GMOLAH... meaning "The God of Recompense" Jeremiah 51:6 EL-ELYON... meaning "The most high God Genesis 14:17-20, Is. 14:13-14 meaning "The strong one who sees" Genesis 16:13 EL-SHADDAI meaning "The God of the mountains or God Almighty" Gen. 17:1, Ps. 91:1

EL-OLAM... meaning "The everlasting God" <u>Isaiah 40:28-31</u> **Proverbs 18:10** The **name** of the LORD is a strong tower; the righteous run to it and are safe.

The Lord's Prayer... what a great "religious" interlude to many war movies... The good guys have been killing their enemies with fever and passion. The local girls have been their sexual delight. God is mentioned many times but only when they are cursing. The good guys are encircled by their enemies... ammo is all but gone. It is clear the only way out would be some divine intervention... so they pray, "Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be thy name..." For so many mindless repetition, just as grievous is this prayer prayed with no intention of doing God's will.

MAY THE LORD'S PRAYER NEVER BECOME A VAIN REPETITION... EMPTY WORDS

PRAY! <u>Matthew 6 verse 8</u> Therefore do not be like them. For your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him. ⁹ In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. ¹⁰ Your kingdom come. Your will be done, On earth as it is in heaven. ¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread. ¹² And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors. ¹³ 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.

Over the years conflicting interpretations have been given to the meaning of "your Kingdom come."

- 1. This refers only to the second coming of Jesus... and has nothing to do with present life...
- 2. Thy Kingdom come refers to social action... a mandate to usher in His kingdom through good works. NOW!
- 3. Only deals with the salvation of souls.

I believe any one of these **without** the inclusion of the others is an incomplete interpretation. With the qualification of social action (a needed part of all believers; salt and light) but social action will never bring His Kingdom... He and He alone will accomplish that!

THY KINGDOM COME ... ETERNALLY MINDED!

Why the pulpit says, "The Trumpet Case is open"... constantly living in the light of His eminent return... Close at HAND!

Jesus tells us to Be Watchful: Be Cautious: Be Awake: Be Active!!!

the master, when He comes, will find watching.

<u>2 Peter 3:10</u> But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.

SOBER 1 Thessalonians 5 verse 7 and 8 "For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk are drunk at night. 8 But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet the hope of salvation."

Praying "your Kingdom come." keeps us in the expectancy of His Kingdom that will one day be established... Helmut Thielicke speaking to his congregation after the ravages of WW2... Hamburg Germany "Who can utter the word progress today without getting a flat taste in his mouth? Who can still believe today that we are developing toward a state in which the kingdom of God reigns in the world of nation, in culture, and in the life of the individual? The earth has been plowed too deep by the curse of war, the streams of blood and tears have swollen all too terribly, injustice and bestiality have become all too cruel and obvious for us to consider such dreams to be anything but bubbles and froth."

He goes on the say, "in the world of death, in this empire of ruins and shell-torn fields we pray: 'Thy kingdom come! 'We pray it more fervently than ever."

As we look at our nation's loss of morality; the lies and deceit of politics, attending funerals of loved ones, loss of jobs, diagnosis' of cancer and illness... we all pray, "YOUR KINGDOM COME!" followed by the 2nd to the last verse of the Bible, "IMEN, COME, LORD JESUS" Rev. 22:20 so praying "your Kingdom come"... Keeps us eternally minded!

PRAYING HIS KINGDOM INTO THE PRESENT

Matthew, Mark and Luke... 103 times Jesus speaks of His Kingdom... No doubt His Kingdom will have it's final establishment in the future; but never forget His Kingdom is **NOW** as well.

Directly in our own lives...

<u>Luke 17:20 & 21</u> ²⁰ Now when He was asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, He answered them and said, "The kingdom of God does not come with observation; ²¹ nor will they say, 'See here!' or 'See there! 'For indeed, the kingdom of God is within you."

Conformity to God's will... your Kingdom come... your will be done!

- 1. My will in subjection to His will
- 2. When we pray this way it demands commitment
- 3. Pursuit of His Kingdom above all else...

<u>Matthew 6 verse 31-34</u> ³¹ "Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' ³² For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. ³³ But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you. ³⁴ Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things. Sufficient for the day *is* its own trouble.

4. Demands a profound dependence upon God

YOUR WILL BE DONE, ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN.

There are only two kinds of people: God I so want "your will to be done" and those who live for themselves, saying, "My will be done."

love how Courson puts it... God is terrifyingly fair. If you say, "My will be done," He will allow that to happen. If you say, "I don't want God," He will allow you to be damned. If you say, "I want my way," He will give you your way.

We have a choice to make. We can either, as the Psalmist says, "Be still, and know that He is God," or we can say, "God, You be still and know that I am me."

The prophet Isaiah went to Hezekiah and said, "Hezekiah, the Lord wants you to know it's time for you to die. Prepare your house." The original text of Isaiah 38:2 tells us Hezekiah turned his face to the wall and chattered like a bird, "Let me live. Let me live." Finally, God said, "Okay, you got it.

Your will be done." Hezekiah lived **15** more years, and they were the **15** most tragic years of his life.

DURING THAT TIME,

Hezekiah set the stage for the Babylonian invasion.

He fathered a son named Manasseh who grew up to be the most wicked king in the history of Israel.

Hezekiah would have been so much better simply praying, "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, Father, on earth as it is in heaven."

Do you pray in simplicity, "Father, Thy will be done"? Or do you pray with a demanding mentality, "You listen to me, God. I want this"?

Ruth Bell Graham has said she is glad God did not listen to her foolish demands in her younger years, or she would have married the wrong guy fifteen times. But she showed wisdom when she ended her prayers with the Lord's Prayer, saying, "Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done."

John 4 verse 34... Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work.

Christian which means "like Christ". Well Christian is you are to be like Christ your food is not a large pizza with pepperoni on it, it's not an extra dessert or as many believe a little bit of Jesus to decorate their lives; **OUR FOOD IS TO DO THE WILL OF OUR FATHER...** our earlier quoted ww2 pastor so precisely said, "Just as I live by my daily bread, just as my heart and my eyes and my whole body are driven toward food by the spontaneous urge of hunger, so I live by the will of the Father, so I am driven to Him and linked to Him with every fiber of my being.

John 6 verse 38 For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me.

In the face of His sacrificial death... *Mark 14:36* And He said, "Abba, Father, all things *are* possible for You. Take this cup away from Me; nevertheless, not what I will, but what You *will.*"

When we become followers of Christ... we become <u>followers</u>. He is Lord, He is King, He is the Captain of the ship. <u>We relinquish control</u>. So many start well and then don't like the way Jesus is driving and swap seats. Some even "go mutiny" and throw Jesus out of the car. Praying for His will to be done in your life reminds you of the necessity of keeping Jesus as the one who calls all shots.

Hebrew thought structure demands that we understand both "your kingdom

come" and "your will be done" in direct light of "hallowed be your name". If we truly believe God is everywhere present Omnipresent, all powerful Omnipotent and all knowing Omniscience we would always want HIS KINGDOM and HIS WILL to be done!

Your Kingdom... Your Will... IN ME! He comes with His gentle violence! Hebrews 10:31 It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

YOUR WILL AS IT IS IN HEAVEN... in Heaven His will is done with great joy and obedience. The joy comes from trusting our Dad with everything. He is God, He is our loving Father and only wants the best for us.

ENJOY ME FOREVER! His will is primarily revealed through His written word... **Proverbs 29:18** Without a vision my people perish...

VISION: Understanding of God's word

PERISH: wander aimlessly

Without an understanding of my word, my people wander aimlessly.

John 8:31 "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. ³² And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

Psalm 119:105 Your word is a **lamp** to my **feet** And a **light** to my path.

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Basic Instructions Before Leaving Earth

WHAT A GLOBIOUS PRIVILEGE... to crawl into our Heavenly Daddy's arms, to exalt His holy and hallowed name. To seek Him on behalf of His Kingdom here now and yet to be... and to pray for His will to be done... in this world, in His church and in our individual lives.

Romans 12 verse 1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. ² And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may

prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

In light of eternity... the sand.

¹⁰ YOUR KINGDOM COME. YOUR WILL BE DONE, ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN.