

A Name Set Apart

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Matthew 6:9b

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Snapshot:

The priority of the Lord's prayer is for the Father to be glorified above all else.

I. Prayer prioritizes that the Father be made known.

II. Prayer prioritizes the Father's glory.

III. Prioritizing the Father's glory in prayer.

Group Challenge

*Anything you want to share from your time in the Word this week?
How can the group be praying for/with you?*

Connecting

Tell of a time you did not walk wisely and what the outcome was.

Study

Point 1: Prayer prioritizes that the Father be made known.

READ: Exodus 3:13–19; 34:5–7, 14; Psalm 20:1, 7; Psalm 106:8; Exodus 9:16; Deuteronomy 12:11; Deuteronomy 28:58–60; Philippians 2:9–11

REFLECT: Discuss what you learn about the name of the Lord from the verses above.

RESPOND: What would it look like for you to prioritize prayer in your individual prayers? In your prayers for HCC? In your prayers for the universal church? How can you use the verses above to ask the Lord to be made known among the lost? How can you grow in your knowledge of the Lord?

Point 2: Prayer prioritizes the Father's glory.

READ: Numbers 20:1–12

REFLECT: How does Moses dishonor the Lord in this passage? What was the consequence of Moses dishonoring the Lord? Why do you suppose that the punishment was so severe?

RESPOND: What are some ways we attempt to rob the Lord of His glory? What do we learn about anger and God's glory in Numbers 20? What would it look like for the church to prioritize God's glory and how can we specifically pray for that? What would it look like for the Father to be glorified outside the church and how can we specifically pray for that?

Point 3: Prioritizing the Father's glory in prayer.

READ: Matthew 6:9–13

REFLECT: Discuss how each line of the Lord's prayer should flow from and point to the Father's glory.

RESPOND: Where do you need to confess sin for “stealing the Father’s glory”? How will you specifically apply this teaching to your life this week?

Memorizing

Pray then like this: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Matthew 6:9–13ESV

Preparing for next week

Read: Matthew 6:9-13

Ask: questions of the text

Pray: through text, for the pastor as he prepares, for your heart to hear, for the congregation to hear, for all of us to be obedient.