Daily Provision

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Matthew 6:11

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Snapshot:

In prayer we seek the Father's daily provision for our physical needs.

- I. Recognize the importance of the physical
- II. Request provision for the physical
- III. Released to live for the Kingdom of God

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

What is the most unique way God has unexpectedly provided for you?

Study

Point 1: Recognize the importance of the physical

READ: Matthew 6:19-34

REFLECT: In Matthew 6:19–24, is Jesus saying that the physical is unimportant? Why or why not? What does Matthew 6:25–34 reveal about how the Father views our physical needs? How do you see the physical affecting the mission of God's people in these verses? How would trusting in the Father to provide relieve this pressure?

RESPOND: Why is it important to understand that the Father is concerned about our physical needs? What are some physical things that cause you worry or anxiety? What would it look like to trust the Lord to provide in those areas?

Point 2: Request provision for the physical

READ: Matthew 6:19-34

REFLECT: What is Jesus not asking us to request in prayer according to these verses? Why would the Father desire your request if He already knows what you need?

RESPOND: Take some time to use these verses to help you write out a prayer to the Father. Make a list of your physical needs, physical needs of others at the church, physical needs of our missionaries, and maybe even others around you that do not know Jesus. How will you implement that list into your prayer life?

Point 3: Released to live for the Kingdom of God

READ: Matthew 6:19-34

REFLECT: How do these verses reveal how physical things can keep us from seeking first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness? What does Jesus teach about living for the Kingdom in these verses?

RESPOND: What are some physical things that if you let them go you would be released to live for the Kingdom of God?

What are some physical things that cause you anxiety and worry? What would it look like for you to release those things to the Lord in prayer? What would it look like in your life for you to become part of how the Lord is providing for someone else's physical needs?

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.