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Matthew 6:9–10 and Luke 11:2 are the prayers Jesus teaches His disciples to pray

“Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven” Matthew 6:10 NKJV

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This prayer is a request that **God’s reign would be fully manifested**

The Lord’s Prayer is a model prayer that teaches us to approach God as Father, to honor His name, to **seek His kingdom**, to depend on **Him daily**, to confess our sins, and to ask for His protection

Revelation 11:15 is the answer Then the seventh angel sounded: And there were loud voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever Revelation 11:15 NKJV

That is the fulfillment of what Jesus taught us to pray for. So the correlation is this

In Matthew 6:9–10 and Luke 11:2, Jesus teaches us to pray for the coming of the kingdom

In Revelation 11:15, “loud voices” “The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever”

Parallels points: The “**kingdom**” is **central** in all three passages, **Jesus says to pray for it**, and **Revelation 11:15** says it is coming

Heaven and earth are brought together. In the Lord’s Prayer, **God’s will is to be done on earth as it is in heaven**

In **Revelation 11:15**, heaven declares that the kingdoms of this world now **belong to the Lord and His Christ**

The prayer is **both present and future**. Even now, we pray for God’s “**reign**” and “**kingdom**” to shape our lives, homes, churches, and world

The prayer looks forward to the day when Christ’s rule is fully acknowledged

In **Revelation 11:15**, it declares that day as **certain and unstoppable**

Jesus is not a campaigning politician to reign; He already reigns

And the twenty-four elders who sat before God on their thrones fell on their faces and worshiped God Revelation 11:16 NKJV

saying: We give You thanks, O Lord God Almighty, The One who is and who was and who is to come, because You have taken Your great power and reigned Revelation 11:17 NKJV

The Lord has established His throne in heaven, And His kingdom rules over all Psalm 103:19 NKJV

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, The power and the glory, The victory and the majesty; For all that is in heaven and in earth is Yours 1 Chronicles 29:11 NKJV

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, Who was and is and is to come Revelation 4:8 NKJV

The response of heaven to **Christ's reign is worship**

The elders fall on their faces, which shows **humility, reverence, and surrender**

It means His sovereign rule is **now being openly displayed forever and ever**

The Bible is very clear **that God does not measure worship only by sound, activity, or appearance**

He looks at the heart. Jesus said: **These people draw near to Me with their mouth, and honor Me with their lips, but their heart is far from Me Matthew 15:8 NKJV**

The right response to Christ's reign is **worship**, not **casualness or carelessness**

It is possible to have **outward worship** and live **without inward surrender**

A person can sing the right words with their mouth while their heart remains **unmoved, unbroken, or unwilling to submit to God**

Revelation 11:16-17 reminds us that true worship is not performance

It is bowing our **body, soul, and spirit** before God

The nations were angry, and Your wrath has come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that You should reward Your servants the prophets and the saints, and those who fear Your name, small and great, and should destroy those who destroy the earth Revelation 11:18 NKJV

This verse is loaded with contrast – **"The nations were angry"**

Since **Genesis 3:1**, **"did God really say you must not eat from any tree in the garden?5749"**, humanity has been in rebellion and has resisted God's authority

This echoes **Psalm 2**, where the nations rage against the Lord and His Anointed - **Why do the nations rage, And the people plot a vain thing Psalm 2:1 NKJV**

"Your wrath has come"

God's holy response to evil is **not indifference** but **righteous just judgment**

His wrath is not a sinful temper. It is just judgment and justice against rebellion

“the time of the dead, that they should be judged”

Judgment is **universal and inescapable**. Death will not cancel accountability before God

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ 2 Corinthians 5:10 NKJV

“that You should reward Your servants”

God does **not only judge evil**. He also **remembers and rewards faithfulness**. He sees His servants, whether public or hidden, small or great

For the Son of Man will come in the glory of His Father with His angels, and then He will reward each according to his works Matthew 16:27 NKJV

And behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to give to every one according to his work Revelation 22:12 NKJV

“should destroy those who destroy the earth”

This is specifically speaking of **God’s judgment** against those **who corrupt, ruin, and rebel against His created order and His moral authority**

However, God **sees both rebellion and faithfulness**. Nothing escapes Him, ever

A praying grandmother, a faithful **usher**, a small-town **Pastor**, a **student** taking a quiet stand for Christ, a **believer serving** without recognition, none of that is missed by God

At the same time, **evil is not getting away with anything**

Our culture has normalized corruption, cruelty, sexual sin, greed, and destruction

Jesus does not shrug. **He will judge what the world excuses**

Then the temple of God was opened in heaven, and the ark of His covenant was seen in His temple. And there were lightnings, noises, thunderings, an earthquake, and great hail Revelation 11:19 NKJV

This verse and chapter close the scene with Majesty and Holy fear

“the temple of God was opened in heaven”

The heavenly temple being opened reveals access to the reality of God’s presence and rule

“the ark of His covenant was seen”

The Ark of the Covenant is important because it represented **God’s holy presence**, His **covenantal faithfulness**, His **kingly rule**, and the **need for atonement** for our sins

Revelation 11:19, when the ark is seen in heaven, that matters because it shows...

God has **not forgotten** His covenant, God is enthroned, God is holy, God is faithful to His promises

The accompanying “lightnings, noises, thunderings, an earthquake, and great hail” are signs of divine Majesty and Judgment

Who is this God?

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, 17 so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.2 Timothy 3:16-17 NIV

He is holy; He is completely pure, set apart, and without sin. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; The whole earth is full of His glory Isaiah 6:3 NKJV

God is love; God’s love is not sentimental weakness. It is holy, faithful, sacrificial love. He who does not love does not know God, for God is love 1 John 4:8 NKJV

God is just; He always does what is right. He never perverts justice. For the Lord is righteous, He loves righteousness Psalm 11:7 NKJV

God is merciful; He shows compassion to sinners and does not give us what our sins deserve. Through the Lord’s mercies we are not consumed, Because His compassions fail not Lamentations 3:22 NKJV

God is gracious; He gives favor and blessings we do not deserve. The Lord is merciful and gracious, Slow to anger, and abounding in mercy Psalm 103:8 NKJV

God is patient; He is long-suffering and endures much before bringing judgment. The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us 2 Peter 3:9 NKJV

God is faithful; He always keeps His Word and never breaks His promises. He who calls you is faithful, who also will do it 1 Thessalonians 5:24 NKJV

God is sovereign; He rules over all things with absolute authority. But our God is in heaven; He does whatever He pleases Psalm 115:3 NKJV

God is omnipotent; He is all-powerful. Nothing is too hard for Him. Ah, Lord God! Behold, You have made the heavens and the earth by Your great power and outstretched arm. There is nothing too hard for You Jeremiah 32:17 NKJV

God is omniscient; He knows all things fully and perfectly. Great is our Lord, and mighty in power; His understanding is infinite Psalm 147:5 NKJV

God is omnipresent; He is present everywhere. No one can escape His presence. *Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence? Psalm 139:7 NKJV*

God is eternal; He has no beginning and no end. *Even from everlasting to everlasting, You are God Psalm 90:2 NKJV*

God is unchanging; He does not change in His character, truth, or promises. *For I am the Lord, I do not change Malachi 3:6 NKJV*

God is true; He cannot lie and is the source of all truth. *God is not a man, that He should lie Numbers 23:19 NKJV*

God is wise; He always knows the best end and the best means to accomplish it. *To God, alone wise, be glory through Jesus Christ forever Romans 16:27 NKJV*

God is good; everything God does flows from His goodness. *Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever Psalm 107:1 NKJV*

God is our refuge and strength, A very present help in trouble Psalm 46:1 NKJV

Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful Hebrews 10:23 NKJV

God is both faithful and holy. **He comforts His people, but He also confronts sin**

We need both of those truths

Some want a God who **only comforts** and **never judges**.

Others **speak of judgment** but **forget mercy**. *Revelation 11:19* gives the full picture...

Grace, the message this morning is clear

Christ's "**kingdom**" is coming, Jesus sees it all, and the only right response is **humble worship** and **faithful obedience**

So lift your heart, fix your eyes on Jesus, and sing it with faith — He is Still The King!