



**Title: Set Apart: Pray like Jesus**

**Scripture: Matthew 6: 9-13**

**Date: 2-18-2018**

**Bible Version: NIV**

**BOTTOM LINE: Jesus taught us to make prayer a daily priority and to connect with God with intimacy and awe.**

**Two things we learn from Jesus to help lead a lifestyle of prayer**

**1. Get a time and place**

*Mark 1:35 And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed.*

Jesus modeled making prayer a priority. If we don't make time for God we often won't have time for God.

*Matthew 6:6 But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen..*

Find a prayer place, wherever it is, that you can go to God and pray.

**2. Get a plan**

*Matthew 6:7 And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words*

It's not how long or how fancy our prayer is that matters, God wants our heart.

Jesus gave his disciples a pattern to pray. We call it the Lord's prayer. Go into your prayer time with a plan. It may change, but give God your best.

**Jesus teaches his disciples to pray:**

## **Our Father in heaven**

Jesus defines the relationship as a loving father. We have been adopted as sons and daughters of a loving father and can approach him in a loving way.

Romans 8:15 ...*the spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father."*

## **Hallowed be your name**

Hallowed- to revere as holy, sacred

We need to praise God for who he is and declare his greatness.

*God is most hallowed in us when we are most happy in His holiness.  
(Piper)*

## **Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven**

Are we seeking God's priorities?

We need to submit our will and pray God's agenda first.

Luke 12:31 *But seek the kingdom of God, and all these things shall be added to you.*

## **Give us today our daily bread**

God wants us to depend on Him for our daily needs.

*The prayer is for our needs, not our greeds. It is for one day at a time, reflecting the precarious lifestyle of many first-century workers who were paid one day at a time and for whom a few days' illness spell tragedy.  
(Carson)*

**Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors**

God has forgiven us of so much and we too are to forgive others.

Grace- The unmerited, undeserved favor of God.

We can pray to get grace and give grace.

**Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one**

God wants us to ask for help and protection in our daily struggles.

We can pray for His strength and guidance during times of testing and trials.

*Jeremiah 32:17 Ah, Sovereign LORD, you have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and outstretched arm. Nothing is too hard for you.*

There is no sin, no addiction, no pain that's too big for our God!

*Prayer and praise are the oars by which a man may row his boat into the deep waters of the knowledge of Christ. (Spurgeon)*



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1. What does this study reveal to you about God?
2. What does this study reveal to you about yourself?
3. Based on this, what changes do you need to make?
4. What is your prayer for today?



**DISCUSS.**

1. How would you describe your prayer life? In what ways or areas is it strong or weak?
2. What practical ways do you try and make prayer a priority? How could finding a time, place, and a plan help?
3. What does it mean for you that God is "Our Father"? Is the image of a father positive for you?
4. In Matthew 6:11, why is Jesus's prayer for "daily bread"? Why "bread"? What was he trying to communicate? And why "daily"?
5. What's the importance of repentance and confession in prayer? Are we forgiven only because we forgive others?
6. How can you pray the Lord's prayer as a pattern for your prayers?

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Anytime you read God's word you have to put things into perspective. You also have to realize that the terms, not words, have meanings. As a group re-read the scriptures that was studied. Try a the Amplified Version and compare that to the NJKV, NIV, ESV, or NASB. Pick a few words and have a group member look that word up on [blueletterbible.com](http://blueletterbible.com) or with their app.

# Parents & Kids

TAKE **HOME**

**DATE:** February 18th, 2018

**Scripture:** God Promises Heaven

Bible Story: Faith in God's Promises (Hebrews 11)

Who are some examples of people in the Bible who had faith in God's promises? (Noah, Abraham, Sarah, David, Moses, etc.)

Whether these people were experiencing blessing or suffering, what promise could they all look forward to? (The promise of Heaven)

Who does God want to spend forever with Him in Heaven? (All of us, everyone we know, everyone He has created, etc.)

**Memory Verse:** God is not a man, so he does not lie.

He is not human, so he does not change his mind.

Has he ever spoken and failed to act?

Has he ever promised and not carried it through? - Numbers 23:19

