

Your Will Be Done 1: The End of The Age

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I. A Better Way — To Pray

Luke 11:1 (NIV) ¹ One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, **teach us to pray**, just as John taught his disciples."

The Lord's Prayer:


1) Relational 2) High Standard 3) Kingdom Advancing

The reason we pray is to know God better and align with God.

II. A Better Way — For the Future

The big question: "Are we at the end of the age?"

Matthew 24:3-4 (NIV) ³ As Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately. "Tell us," they said, "when will this happen, and **what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?**" ⁴ Jesus answered: "Watch out that no one deceives you."

 **Insights and clues:** Increasingly controversial

 **Common Complaints:** Old-fashioned, outdated, and restrictive

Matthew 5:17 ¹⁷ "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them."

Exodus 20:1-3 (NIV) ¹ And God spoke all these words: ² "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. ³ "You shall have no other gods before me.

A) **MORALITY** flows out of relationship

B) **REDEMPTION** is a gift from God

The Gospel Message: **John 3:16** (NIV) ¹⁶ For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

You and I are going to need to know...

1) How to STAND 2) How to LISTEN 3) How to PARTICIPATE

...as God's will is being implemented in our lifetime.

III. A Better Way — Clarity: Don't Be Deceived

Matthew 24: 4-14 (NIV) ⁴ Jesus answered: "Watch out that no one deceives you. ⁵ For many will come in my name, claiming, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many. ⁶ You will hear of wars and rumors of wars, but see to it that you

are not alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come. ⁷ Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in various places. ⁸ All these are the beginning of birth pains. ⁹ "Then you will be handed over to be persecuted and put to death, and you will be hated by all nations because of me. ¹⁰ At that time many will turn away from the faith and will betray and hate each other, ¹¹ and many false prophets will appear and deceive many people. ¹² Because of the increase of wickedness/ lawlessness, the love of most will grow cold, ¹³ but he who stands firm to the end will be saved. ¹⁴ And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.

The Signs of the End of the Age:

A) A World Shaken

B) Ethnic Pride

C) Kingdoms

D) False Leaders

E) God Followers Marginalized

2 Timothy 3:1-5 (NIV) ¹ But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. ² People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, ³ without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, ⁴ treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God— ⁵ having a form of godliness but denying its power. **Have nothing to do with such people.**

Matthew 5:13 (NIV) ¹³ "You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

IV. A Better Way — Jesus

John 14:6 (NIV) ⁶ Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

Prayer: Heavenly Father, thank You for sending Jesus to give His life for me. Forgive me for living so selfishly. I choose to trust Your way, Jesus. May Your will be done in my life. Let Your kingdom fill our world. In Jesus' name, Amen.

This Week's Bible Readings (Use the TCND App if you want to listen):

Sat Rest Sun Luke 7:18-35; Est 6-10 Mon Luke 7:36-50; Job 1-4

Tue Luke 8:1-15; Job 5-7 Wed Luke 8:16-25; Job 8-10

Thur Luke 8:26-39; Job 11-13 Fri Luke 8:40-56; Job 14-16 Sat Rest