

# The Disciple's Prayer

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## GUEST SPEAKER

**Dave Gibson + (Gray & Nelson - Bringing Heaven Here) •  
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### **The Disciple's Prayer**

*"Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today 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 the evil one." (Matthew 6:9-13)*

**Tension: Is it possible that in our familiarity with this prayer that we have utterly lost the point of it and completely dishonored God in our rote repetition of it?**

**Our Father:** God is the perfect father. His is the father we needed and wanted, not the father we had. "He is the Being Who cares for us and the One we can count on." **(Gray and Nelson)**

**Our Father in the heavens:** God is both powerful and personal, exalted and present.

**Holy be Your Name:** *\*In one sense God is a terrifying, set apart, Being of immeasurable gravitas. But in another very real sense we have free and confident access into His presence.\* - “Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. Let us then approach God’s throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.” (Heb 4:14-16)*

**Your Kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven:** “Bring Your good rule through us. Reign in our little spheres.”  
**(Gray and Nelson)**

**Give us this day our daily bread:** Teach us the grace of enough. Be our ultimate Provider. Give us what we need for today and we will be both grateful and content, and ask again tomorrow.

**Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us:**  
As forgiven people please cause us to be forgiving people.

**Lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil:** Aim our desires at what is right and guard us from situations where we might draw away from You. (Gray and Nelson)

**Big Idea:** As dependent children in a fallen world...we call out to “Our Father in the heavens.”