

The Lord's Prayer

Matthew 11:29

²⁹"Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and YOU WILL FIND REST FOR YOUR SOULS.

Matthew 28:19–20

¹⁹"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

Jesus did three things in His ministry:

1. He proclaimed the availability of the Kingdom of God to everyone regardless of their standing in life.
2. He taught what the Kingdom of God was like.
3. He manifested the presence of the Kingdom of God in events that could not be explained in a natural way.

Matthew 6:33

³³"But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

1. We live in the Kingdom of God when we live like Jesus is King.

Matthew 13:44

⁴⁴"The kingdom of God is like a treasure hidden in the field, which a man found and hid again; and from joy over it he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field."

2. We live in the Kingdom of God when we realize God is active in our lives.

3. We live in the Kingdom of God when we value God's activity in others' lives.

We value and appreciate.

We help and encourage.

We seek together.

4. We live in the Kingdom of God when we live with "righteousness of heart."

Matthew 5:18

¹⁸"For truly I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or stroke shall pass from the Law until all is accomplished."

5. We live in the Kingdom of God when we say yes to His invitation.

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For Extra Study, Reflection, and Prayer: The Lord's Prayer | Thy Kingdom Come
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1. Take a moment to be silent. Slowly pray the Lord's Prayer and add some of your own heart desires with each line.
2. Matthew 11:29 "Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and YOU WILL FIND REST FOR YOUR SOULS."
 - How do we "yoke" with Jesus?
 - How have you experienced his gentleness and loving-kindness?
 - Do you need "rest"? Is there something upsetting you? Rest in the gentle love of Jesus.
3. Jesus teaches us to pray, "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as in Heaven."
 - Think of your life, choices, priorities, money, and relationship and ask if they are glorifying the King?
 - Think about those you love; can you pray God's will for their lives? Take a moment and pray.
4. Jeremiah 29:13 "You will seek Me and find Me when you search for Me with all your heart."
 - Have you settled with just believing in God, and not seeking the Kingdom of God, and King Jesus in your life?
 - What are the personal benefits of seeking Jesus and living in the kingdom?
 - How does this affect your marriage or singleness? Family and friends? Habits and affections?
5. Pastor Nate taught us how to live in the Kingdom and how God's Kingdom comes into our lives as it is in Heaven.
 - Take time to prayerfully review each point and reflect on the question for thought and prayer.

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- Is the Kingdom and Jesus this important to you in all aspects of your life?

We live in the Kingdom of God when we realize God is active in our lives.

- Where is God active in you? What has been His invitation to you?

We live in the Kingdom of God when we value God's activity in others' lives.

- Is your faith all about you? Do you see God in others? Do you care about their faith?

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- Sometimes we focus on behavior and not the heart. How is your heart? Read Proverbs 4:23

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- Pray again and think about this great invitation to Jesus to you today. Pray deeper about this.