



How to Pray for God's Provision Luke 11:1-4

We pray for God's provision for ourselves.

³ Give us each day our daily bread [b]

Text Message:

- o Both Matthew and Luke's version of the Lord's prayer have a footnote in the ESV that gives the alternate reading, "our bread for tomorrow."
- o The word in Greek for "daily" is επιουσιος

- (epiousios) and is only used in the Lord's Prayer in all the New Testament.
- o Both the Greek and the culture of the first-century support both ideas of "our daily bread" or "our bread for tomorrow" given the prevalence of scarcity in the ancient world.
- o Regardless of how "daily" is translated, the idea of bread in the Bible goes beyond simply what we eat to the generous giving of God in all aspects of life, including: God's provision, Physical health, God's Presence, God's provision given for the benefit of others, God's favor, God's provision through others, God's Word, Favor with authorities, Reconciliation, Emotional health, Freedom, The Lord's Supper, Jesus Himself, Influence, Healing, Christian fellowship, and A Proclamation of Jesus' Second Coming! (Ex. 16:40, 23:25, 25:30, 2 Cor. 9:10, Lev. 26:26, Num. 14:19, Deut. 8:3, 2 Sam. 6:19, 2 Kgs. 6:22, Ps. 104:15, Is. 13:14, Mt. 26:26, Jn. 6:35, Mt. 16:11, Mk. 7:27, Acts 2:42, 1 Cor. 11:26).

We pray for God's provision for our church.

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Text Message:

- o Every local church needs the prayers of those in the church!
- o Every local church is only as strong as the prayer support received!
- o In the richness of all that "daily bread" means; we pray for:
 - 1) The presence of God in our worship as we gather.
 - 2) All that is needed financially locally and around the world.
 - 3) People who are currently serving in the church.
 - 4) People to serve in the ministries of the church.
 - 5) Healing for those who are ill and/or hospitalized.
 - 6) Favor with everyone we encounter.

- 7) The "daily bread" of God's Word to nourish us.
- 8) The "daily bread" of Jesus' presence to be revealed.
- 9) Our fellowship with one another.
- 10) The partaking of the Lord's Supper together.
- 11) Increased influence in our community and world for Christ.
- 12) Upcoming missions (Food Trucks, VBS, etc.)
- 13) Wisdom for Church staff and leadership.

We pray for God's provision for our world.

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Text Message:

- o Here we recognize:
 - 1) It is not just *my* daily bread but is *us* and *our* daily bread.
 - 2) God's Name is exalted, and kingdom comes through the sharing of bread.

- o In the richness of all that "daily bread" means; we pray for:
 - 1) Local ministries and missions (Care Net Pregnancy Center, FCA, CEF, Glade Valley Community Services, etc.).
 - 2) Those whom we are connected to serving as missionaries (Maranatha House, SE India pastors and orphanage, Marie Brown Ministries [SE Asia], My Brother's Keeper, BIC World Missions, etc.)
 - 3) The Persecuted Church and believers in our world who struggle financially because of their faith in Christ.