

The background features a complex arrangement of dark, metallic gears of various sizes, some interlocking. Several glowing incandescent light bulbs are suspended from the top, casting a warm, golden light. The overall aesthetic is industrial and vintage.

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Teach Us To Pray

Part 3: Know What Difference It Makes



*Does it really make a difference if I
pray or not?*



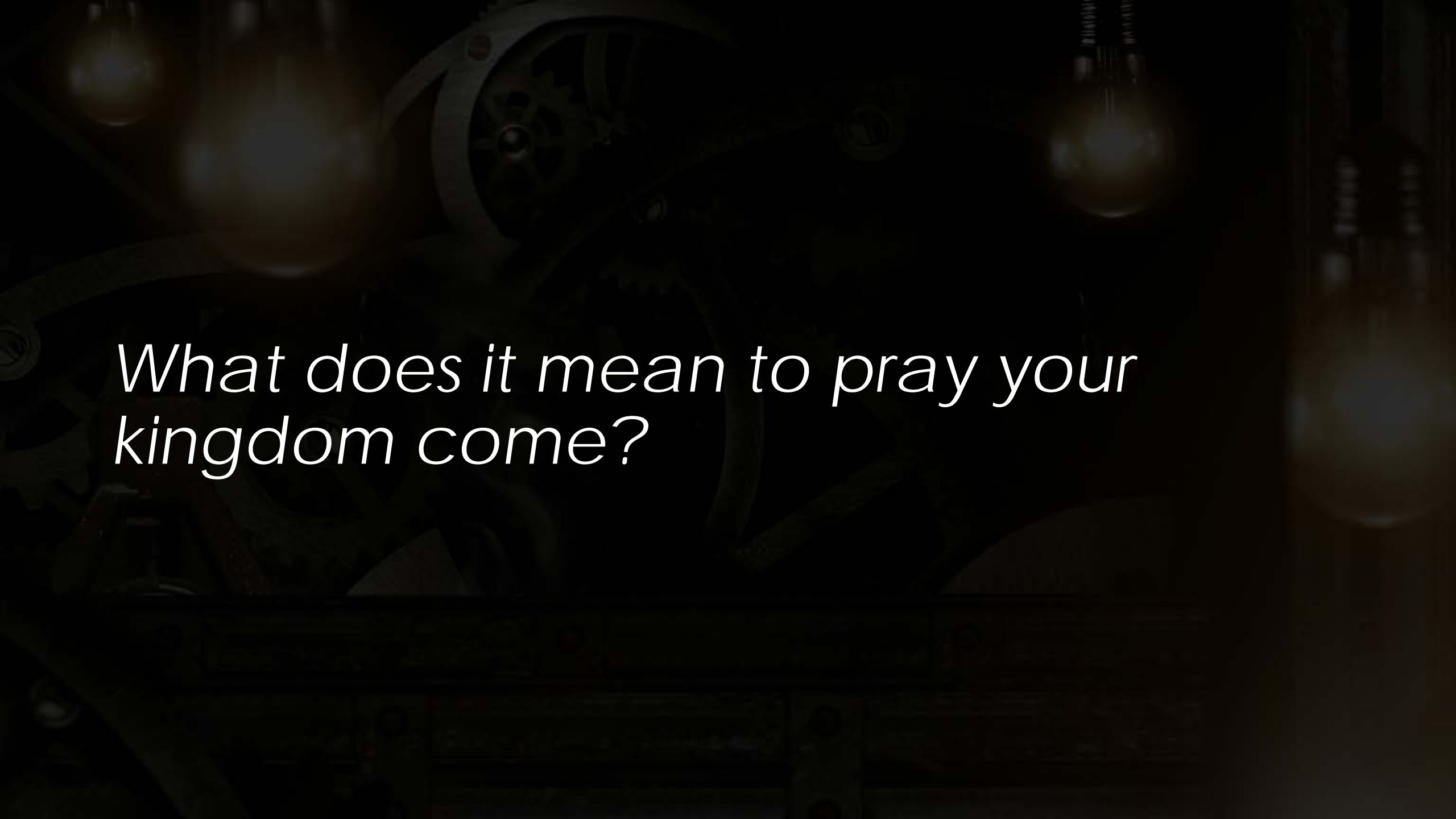
God's Reign is a Present Possibility

Luke 11:1-4

¹ Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, ***“Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.”*** ² And he said to them, ***“When you pray, say: ‘Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. ³ Give us each day our daily bread, ⁴ and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation.’”***

Luke 11:2

⁹ And he said to them, "When you pray, say: "Father, hallowed be your name. ***Your kingdom come.***



*What does it mean to pray your
kingdom come?*



*In my sphere of influence or my life,
what doesn't look like your kingdom?*

"There are parts of our calling, works of the Holy Spirit, and defeats of the darkness that will come no other way than through furious, fervent, faith-filled, unceasing prayer." - Beth Moore



God wants to move in power today!



God's Will is Always Priority

Matthew 6:9-13

⁹ Pray then like this: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. ¹⁰ ***Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.*** ¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread, ¹² and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. ¹³ And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Matthew 6:9-10

⁹ Pray then like this: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. ¹⁰ *Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.*



*God wants to align our heart with
his!*



*Alignment comes through prayer and
authority comes through alignment!*

"God shapes the world by prayer. The more praying there is in the world the better the world will be, the mightier the forces against evil." -Mother Teresa



*Prayer is Key to Changing
Circumstances*

Matthew 16:15-19

⁹ He said to them, "But *who do you say that I am?*" ¹⁶ Simon Peter replied, "*You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.*" ¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build *my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.*

Matthew 16:15-19

¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."

*This was his plan from the beginning:
Gen 1:26 "Let us make man in our
image... let them have dominion...
over all the earth"*

"The most difficult thing to understand about prayer is why God would place this kind of power in the hands of people like us." - Ron Dunn, Author & Evangelist



Lesson 2: Prayer Makes a Difference!