

talking to God



“Lord, teach us!”

*Now Jesus was praying in a certain place,
and when he finished,
one of his disciples said to him,*

“Lord, teach us to pray ... ”

Luke 11:1



Jesus' prayer principles:

1. No theatrics!


*⁵"And when you pray,
you must not be like the hypocrites.*

Matthew 6



Jesus' prayer principles:

2. Focus on God




⁵ For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others.

Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward.

Matthew 6

Jesus' prayer principles:

3. Pray in Secret




*⁶But when you pray,
go into your room and shut the door and
pray to your Father who is in secret.
And your Father who sees in secret
will reward you.*

Matthew 6

Jesus' prayer principles:

4. Be Brief




*⁷"And when you pray,
do not heap up empty phrases
as the Gentiles do,
for they think that they will be heard
for their many words."*

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Jesus' prayer principles:

5. Understand – God knows before you ask

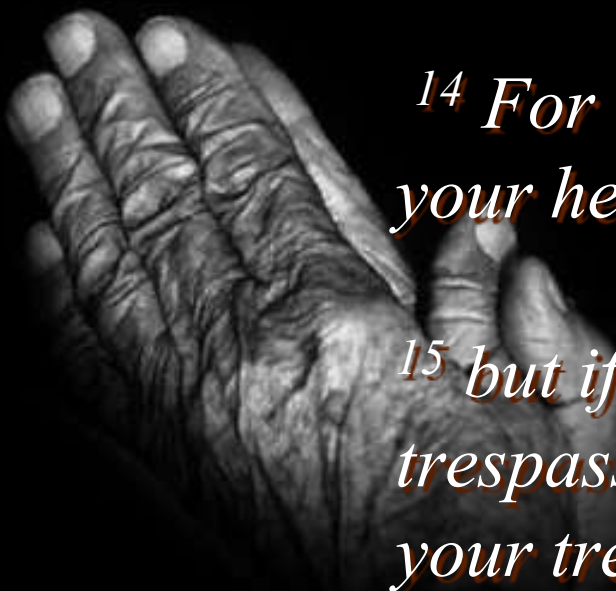


*⁸Do not be like them,
for your Father knows
what you need before you ask him.*

Matthew 6

Jesus' prayer principles:

6. Be ready to forgive —



¹⁴ For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you,

¹⁵ but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

Jesus' teaching on prayer:

⁹"Pray, then, in this way:

'Our Father who is in heaven,

Matthew 6:9



Address God as “Our Father”

*⁶ And because you are sons,
God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts,
crying, “Abba! Father!”*

Galatians 4:6



Address God as “Our Father”

¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.

¹⁵ For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!”

Romans 8



Our Father offers security:

¹⁴So it is not the will of my Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.

Matthew 18




³² "Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

Luke 12

Our Father offers Provision:

*²⁴Before they call I will answer;
while they are yet speaking I will hear.*

Isaiah 65



*3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord
Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with
every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places,*

Ephesians 1

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Jesus' model prayer:

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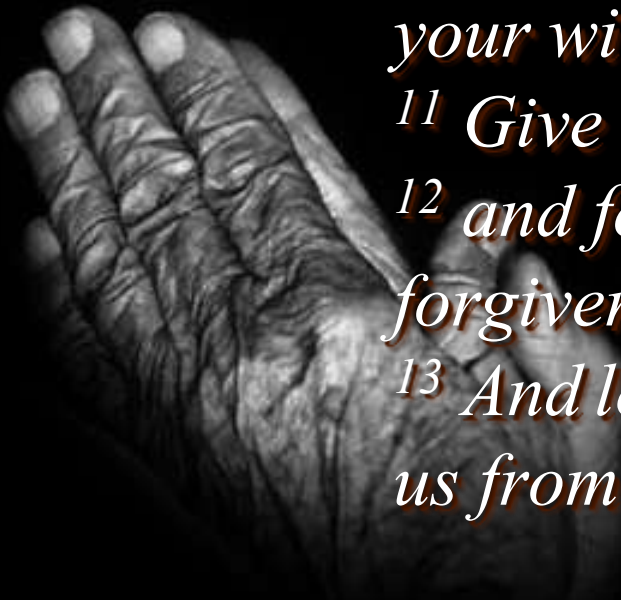
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us from evil.*

Matthew 6



Jesus' model prayer:

Three “Your” petitions

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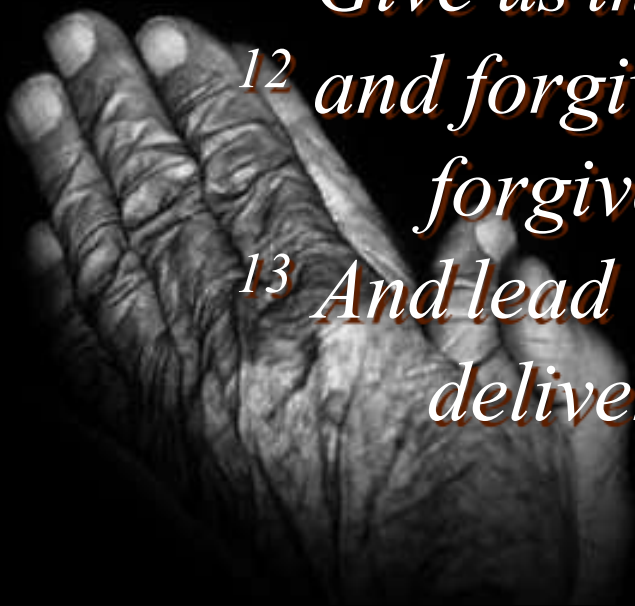
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Three “Your” petitions

ἀγιασθήτω τὸ ὄνομά σου
hagiasthētō to onoma sou
be treated as holy₃ — name₂ [may] your₁

Cause to be hallowed
your name

ἐλθέτω ἡ βασιλεία σου
elthetō hē basileia sou
come₃ — kingdom₂ [may] your₁

Cause to come
your kingdom

γενηθήτω τὸ θέλημά σου
genēthētō to thelēma sou
be done₆ — will₅ [may] your₄

Cause to be done
your will

Jewish prayer in Jesus' day

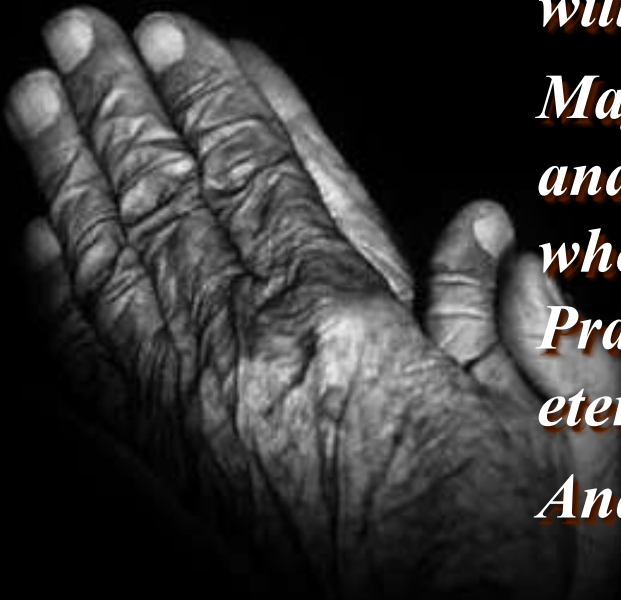
Kaddish

Exalted and hallowed be his great name in the world which he created according to his will.

May he let his kingdom rule in your lifetime and in your days and in the lifetime of the whole house of Israel, speedily and soon.

Praised be his great name from eternity to eternity.

And to this, say: Amen.



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Hallowed be your name

*²² “Therefore say to the Israelites,
‘This is what the Sovereign LORD
says: It is not for your sake, people of
Israel, that I am going to do these
things, but for the sake of my holy
name, which you have profaned
among the nations where you have
gone.*

Ezekiel 36



Hallowed be your name

²³ I will show the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, the name you have profaned among them. Then the nations will know that I am the LORD, declares the Sovereign LORD, when I am proved holy through you before their eyes.

Ezekiel 36



Hallowed be your name

²³ When they see among them their children, the work of my hands, they will keep my name holy; they will acknowledge the holiness of the Holy One of Jacob, and will stand in awe of the God of Israel.

Isaiah 29



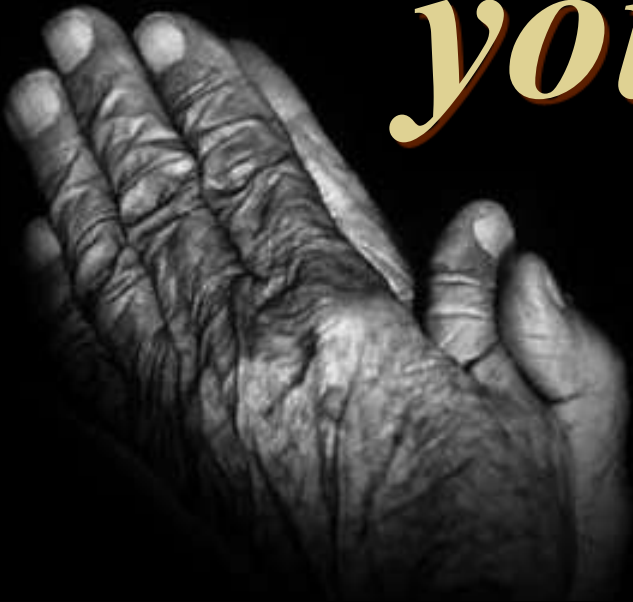
Hallowed be your name

All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

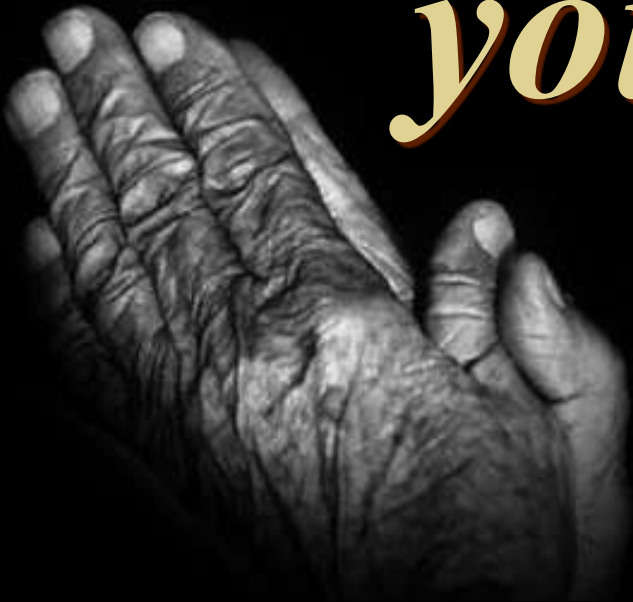
Matthew 11:27



*“Hallowed be
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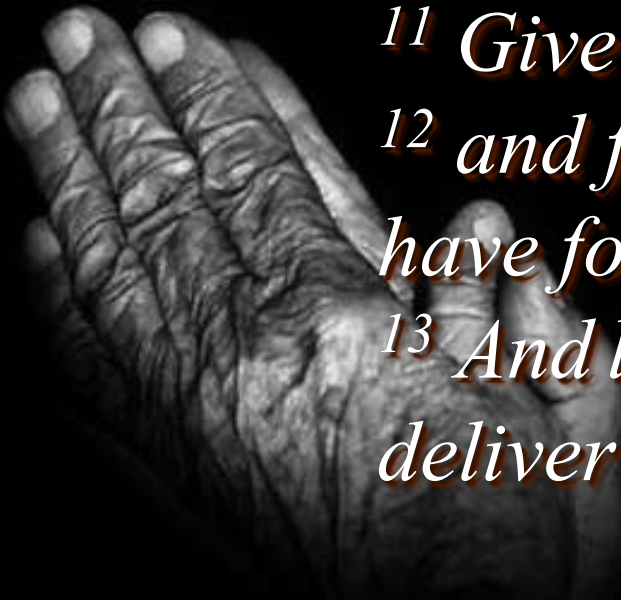
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