



# TRINITY GRACE CHURCH

## Matthew 6:9-13 II The Disciple's Prayer II Taylor Hollingsworth

**MAIN POINT:** Bringing your heavenly Father glory by aligning the priorities of your heart with his own in prayer.

“Self-will and prayer are both ways of getting things done. At the center of self-will is me, carving a world in my image, but at the center of prayer is God, carving me in his Son's image.” - Paul Miller

### 1. Pray to Our Father.

“If you want to judge how well a person understands Christianity, find out how much he makes of the thought of being God's child, and having God as his Father...‘Father’ is the Christian name for God. Our understanding of Christianity cannot be better than our grasp of adoption.” - J.I. Packer

“He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. 12 But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, 13 who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.” - John 1:11-13

### 2. Pray for His Glory.

“Hallowed be your name” means to bless, worship, and praise you for all your works and for all that shines forth from them: your almighty power, wisdom, kindness, justice, mercy, and truth. And it means, help us to direct all our living—what we think, say, and do—so that your name will never be blasphemed because of us but always honored and praised.” - Heidelberg Catechism

“Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a King, born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring. By thine own eternal spirit, rule in all our hearts alone...” - Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

“We cannot bring about the kingdom by elections or education or humanitarian good works or environmental stewardship or by the cultivation of the arts. This is where we must not be confused. Yes, kingdom values should infiltrate our politics. Kingdom living should make a difference in our communities. But let us not misunderstand the nature of the kingdom. The kingdom does not advance when trees are planted, or unemployment lowered, or beautiful art is created, or elections go one way or another. Those may all be important things. They may reflect certain values of the kingdom. But the kingdom comes when and where the King is known. When Jesus is loved and worshiped and believed upon, there the kingdom of God is in the midst of you.” - Kevin DeYoung

### 3. Pray for Our Good.

“Today's grace is for today's trials, and when tomorrow's trials come, God will have new grace waiting for you there. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble. Don't expect next year's bread today. Anxiety is living out the future before it gets here...Of course you can't do that today; you don't have God's grace for tomorrow. Faith is trusting that when the future comes, our Father will be there to give us what we need.” - Kevin DeYoung

“Most of us, if we're honest, live our lives too serious about casual things and too casual about serious things. We fret about clothes and calories. We fuss about diets and home decor. Our whole week can be ruined by a sporting event gone wrong. We are supremely concerned about these relatively unimportant matters. And yet we will start each new day as if we were in no spiritual danger, as if we had no enemy, as if we were not at war with our flesh.” - Kevin DeYoung

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 6:9-13