

C. Pray and Live, This Request.

1. “Father, help people to Truly Know You.”

This is what the LORD says: “Let not the wise man boast of his wisdom or the strong man boast of his strength or the rich man boast of his riches, but let him who boasts boast about this: that he understands and knows me, that I am the LORD, who exercises kindness, justice and righteousness on earth, for in these I delight,” declares the LORD.

Jeremiah 9:23-24

“Now this is eternal life: that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. I have brought you glory on earth by completing the work you gave me to do.”

John 17:3-4

I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death,

Philippians 3:10

2. “Father, help people to Worship and Praise You.”

I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever. Every day I will praise you and extol your name for ever and ever. Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.

Psalms 145:1-3

All you have made will praise you, O LORD; your saints will extol you. They will tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your might, so that all men may know of your mighty acts and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Psalms 145:10-12

3. “Father, help us to Live Our Lives so as to bring You honor.”

Not to us, O LORD, not to us but to your name be the glory, because of your love and faithfulness.

Psalms 115:1

“You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.”

Matthew 5:14-16

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Q. What does the first request mean?

A. "Hallowed be your name" means, Help us to really know you, 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.

Cultivate a burning desire that the whole world will bow before GOD in Reverence and Praise.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Hallowed Be Your Name

Luke 11:1-4

A. Learn To Pray.

One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.” Luke 11:1

1. Prayer is not a Show or a Technique to get something.

“And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by men. I tell you the truth, they have received their reward in full.”

“And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words.” Matthew 6:5,7

2. Prayer is Communion and Conversation with the GOD of the universe!

For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship. And by him we cry, “Abba, Father.” The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children. Romans 8:15-16

3. Come to GOD (“Our Father”) with Reverential Familiarity.

“This, then, is how you should pray: “Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,” Matthew 6:9

B. Understand The Meaning of This Request.

1. To “Hallow” something is to Treat it as Holy, to Hold it in Reverence.

Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, for our “God is a consuming fire.” Hebrews 12:28-29

2. His “Name” is the revelation of GOD Himself in all His Majesty and Glory.

You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name. Exodus 20:7

Faith@Home

Commit yourself to spending time with GOD and His Word on at least five days this week. Read the Bible passage(s) listed.

Ask GOD for understanding. Reflect on the verses you read and write down your answers to the question(s). Pray that GOD will guide you to walk in His Word.

Day One

Read Psalm 145

1. What are some of the things for which GOD is praised in this Psalm?

2. Which one of these do you personally connect with the most?

3. What's the goal described in verse 12? How are you contributing toward this?

Day Two

Read Jeremiah 9:23-24

1. What should we "boast" about? What does that mean?

2. Think of the three things mentioned - kindness, justice, and righteousness. What does each of those mean to you?

3. What are some ways you "brag on" The LORD to others?

Day Three

Read John 17:1-5

1. To pray "Hallowed Be Your Name" means that we want to know GOD more deeply and honor Him more completely. Are those two things the desires of your heart?

2. In your opinion, what is the meaning of verse 3?

3. What did Jesus do to bring honor to His Father (verse 4)? How do we do that?

Day Four

Read Matthew 5:14-16

1. What does it mean to you that you, as a follower of Jesus, are a "light" in the world?

2. What is the goal of letting your light shine (verse 16)?

3. What are some of the ways you do that?

Day Five

Read Psalm 37:1-11

1. Why should we not be envious regarding the success or prosperity of the wicked?

2. What does it mean to you to delight yourself in the LORD?

3. How would you describe what it is like to live our verses 5 & 6?

4. Pray for our worship gathering on Sunday.