

Kingdom Life – Part 20

In this manner, therefore, pray: **Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven.** Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. **For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

Matthew 6:9-13 (NKJV)

Now Christ has gone to heaven. He is seated in the place of honor next to God, and **all the angels and authorities and powers accept his authority.**

1 Peter 3:22 (NLT)

So then, since Christ suffered physical pain, **you must arm yourselves with the same attitude he had, and be ready to suffer, too.** For if you have suffered physically for Christ, you have finished with sin. **You won't spend the rest of your lives chasing your own desires, but you will be anxious to do the will of God.**

1 Peter 4:1-2 (NLT)

You have had enough in the past of the evil things that godless people enjoy—their immorality and lust, their feasting and drunkenness and wild parties, and their terrible worship of idols. Of course, your former friends are surprised when you no longer plunge into the flood of wild and destructive things they do. So they slander you. But remember that they will have to face God, who stands ready to judge everyone, both the living and the dead. That is why the Good News was preached to those who are now dead—so although they were destined to die like all people, they now live forever with God in the Spirit. **The end of the world is coming soon. Therefore, be earnest and disciplined in your prayers. Most important of all, continue to show deep love for each other, for love covers a multitude of sins. Cheerfully share your home with those who need a meal or a place to stay. God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another.** Do you have the gift of speaking? Then speak as though God himself were speaking through you. Do you have the gift of helping others? Do it with all the strength and energy that God supplies. **Then everything you do will bring glory to God through Jesus Christ. All glory and power to him forever and ever! Amen.**

1 Peter 4:3-11 (NLT)

Keep on loving each other as brothers and sisters. **Don't forget to show hospitality** to strangers, for some who have done this have entertained angels

without realizing it! **Remember those in prison, as if you were there yourself. Remember also those being mistreated, as if you felt their pain in your own bodies. Give honor to marriage, and remain faithful to one another in marriage.** God will surely judge people who are immoral and those who commit adultery. **Don't love money; be satisfied with what you have.** For God has said, "I will never fail you. I will never abandon you." So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper, so I will have no fear. What can mere people do to me?" **Remember your leaders who taught you the word of God.** Think of all the good that has come from their lives, and follow the example of their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. So do not be attracted by strange, new ideas. Your strength comes from God's grace, not from rules about food, which don't help those who follow them. We have an altar from which the priests in the Tabernacle have no right to eat. Under the old system, the high priest brought the blood of animals into the Holy Place as a sacrifice for sin, and the bodies of the animals were burned outside the camp. So also Jesus suffered and died outside the city gates to make his people holy by means of his own blood. **So let us go out to him, outside the camp, and bear the disgrace he bore.** For this world is not our permanent home; we are looking forward to a home yet to come. **Therefore, let us offer through Jesus a continual sacrifice of praise to God, proclaiming our allegiance to his name. And don't forget to do good and to share with those in need.** These are the sacrifices that please God. **Obey your spiritual leaders, and do what they say.** Their work is to watch over your souls, and they are accountable to God. Give them reason to do this with joy and not with sorrow. That would certainly not be for your benefit. **Pray** for us, for our conscience is clear and we want to live honorably in everything we do. And especially pray that I will be able to come back to you soon. Now may the God of peace—who brought up from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, and ratified an eternal covenant with his blood—**may he equip you with all you need for doing his will. May he produce in you, through the power of Jesus Christ, every good thing that is pleasing to him.** All glory to him forever and ever!
Amen.

Hebrews 13:1-21 (NLT)

But if you keep on being faithful right to the end, you will be saved. **14 When the good news about the kingdom has been preached all over the world and told to all nations, the end will come.**

Matthew 24:13-14 (CEV)

- **By praying "Your Kingdom Come"**
- **By Humility**
- **By Innocence**
- **By Simple Trust**

- **By Making God's Kingdom our only priority.**

*At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who then is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" Then Jesus called a little child to Him, set him in the midst of them, and said, "**Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven.**"*

Matthew 18:1-3 (NKJV)

*These things dominate the thoughts of unbelievers all over the world, but your Father already knows your needs. **Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and he will give you everything you need.**" So don't be afraid, little flock. **For it gives your Father great happiness to give you the Kingdom.***

Luke 12:30-32 (NLT)