

Hallowed Be Your Name!

April 11, 2021 – Matthew 6:9
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Prayer Orients Our Heart Toward the Character of God

1. He is our intimate Father.

Relevance: It reminds you that you are loved.

2. He is transcendent and sovereign.

Relevance: It reminds you that God is in control.

3. He is holy.

Relevance: It reminds us that God is God.

Where Do I Start?

1. Quiet your heart and consider whom you are addressing.
2. Pray in conjunction with your daily reading.
3. Keep a running list of the characteristics of God to use them in your prayer time.

Questions

1. What do you find most challenging about prayer in your own experience?
2. What are some of the difficulties we face when trying to orient our hearts around God's character through prayer?
3. What are some practical ways you can help quiet your heart and orient it around God's character in prayer?
4. What does Psalm 139 reveal about God? Make a list and address God in prayer by using one or two of those characteristics. Allow that characteristic of God to lead the rest of your prayer.
5. What was your biggest take-a-way from the message this morning?

Next Steps: April Reading Plan (Week 2)

Day One: 1 Kings 16:29-34; 17

Day Two: 1 Kings 18-19

Day Three: 1 Kings 21-22

Day Four: 2 Kings 2

Day Five: 2 Kings 5; 6:1-23

Discipleship Tip:

Developing spiritual disciplines or habits is hard, not because it is hard work, but it is hard to develop anything in our lives that is consistent. We eat and sleep because our physical bodies demand it and we listen. Our soul is yearning for an intimacy with God that is satisfied when we feed it spiritual food. Listen to your soul. Pay attention to what it needs. You were created to worship.

April Scripture Memory:

4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. 5 Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; 6 do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

-Philippians 4:4-7 (ESV)

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