

DDS—Prayer—Lord’s Prayer—with Format (8)

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#	See Matthew 6:5-13 for the Lord’s Prayer
0.0	<p><i>Welcome...</i> <i>We begin with prayer.</i> <i>Father, in the Name of Jesus, by You, Holy Spirit,</i> <i>Please “Protect, Anoint, Inspire and Direct” (PAID) us in this time.</i></p> <p><u><i>{Training Level:</i></u> <u><i>We use the Lord’s Prayer as a guide for our meeting.</i></u> <u><i>We use it in this way because it is the prayer that Jesus gave to His Disciples to teach us how to pray.</i></u> <u><i>We take time with each phrase to deepen our understanding of its content.</i></u> <u><i>We offer Scriptures for each topic for each person’s further, private review.}</i></u></p>
1.0	<p><i>Our Father</i> 1/Thank You, God, Our Father, that You have created, woven and know us [Psalm 139:13]. 2/Thank You, Jesus, for reconciling us to Our Father [2 Corinthians 5:18]. 3/We remember that You, Father, are Perfect Love [1 John 4:8]. 4/That You know what we need before we ask You [Matthew 6:8]. 5/And that You want an abundant life for us [John 10:10b].</p>
1.1	<p><i>At this time, we invite each person to update us on their Practices.</i></p> <p><u><i>{Training Level:</i></u> <u><i>The All Needs Met Commandments Training (ACT) is simple, transformative, and easy to pass on.</i></u> <u><i>Each participant in the ACT is asked to do the First Four Practices daily.</i></u> <u><i>These Practices are based on the instructions of Jesus.</i></u> <u><i>If these Practices are done well, the disciple is well positioned to become a True Follower of Jesus.</i></u> <u><i>If these Practices are done well, the disciple has an approach to pass on to others.}</i></u></p> <p><i>Are you doing the following each day?</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>1. Praying the Lord’s Prayer Morning and Night [Matthew 6:9-13]</i> <i>2. Father Time—spending time with the Father [Matthew 6:6]</i> <i>3. Requests of 10 words or less—drafting clear requests and tracking answers [Matthew 7:7]</i> <i>4. Gospel Time—reading a chapter of the biographies of Jesus to study Him each day [Matthew 28:20].</i> <p><i>We will now take one silent minute to assess our Practices as we prepare to give an update.</i></p> <p><i>(After 1 minute...)</i> <i>At this time, we use Protected Speaking.</i></p> <p><u><i>{Training Level:</i></u> <u><i>Interruptions can derail the speaker.</i></u> <u><i>In Protected Speaking we do not interrupt the speaker with any comments or questions.</i></u> <u><i>This allows the person to say all that he or she wants or needs to say.}</i></u></p> <p><i>Please take up to 2 minutes, or less, to update us on your Practices.</i> <i>Please time yourself.</i> <i>Who would like to begin?</i></p> <p><i>(After everyone has had an opportunity to speak...)</i></p>

1.2	<p><i>At this time, we invite each person to tell us what's up.</i></p> <p><u><i>{Training Level:</i></u> <u><i>Each person is welcome to speak about any one or any combination of the following:</i></u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>1. <u>Your week</u></i> <i>2. <u>Something that's on your mind</u></i> <i>3. <u>Some things that's in your heart</u></i> <i>4. <u>A praise report</u></i> <i>5. <u>A burden</u></i> <i>6. <u>A challenge</u></i> <i>7. <u>Your walk with God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit</u></i> <i>8. <u>Your spiritual fitness</u></i> <i>9. <u>Your spiritual Practices</u></i> <i>10. <u>Your mission or ministry</u></i> <i>11. <u>An important project</u></i> <i>12. <u>A fun project, like improving in a sport.</u></i> <p><i>We will now take a silent minute to think about what we want to share.</i></p> <p><i>(After 1 minute:)</i> <i>We continue to use Protected Speaking.</i></p> <p><i>(If needed:)</i> <i>As there are quite a few of us, we'll use Timed Speaking.</i> <i>Each of us will have up to _____ (divide the time allotted by the number of participants) minutes each.</i> <i>Please time yourself.</i> <i>Who would like to begin?</i></p> <p><i>(After everyone has had an opportunity to speak...)</i> <i>We will now continue with Lord's Prayer.</i></p>
2	<p><i>Who art in Heaven</i> 1/Thank You, Father, for the assurance of Heaven because of what You, Jesus, provided [I John 5:13]. 2/We ask that You help us to keep looking toward these eternal things [2 Corinthians 4:16-18].</p>
3	<p><i>Hallowed be Your Name</i> 1/We praise You, Father, Jesus and Holy Spirit. 2/Thank You, Father, for Life [Psalm 139:13]. 3/Thank You, Jesus, for the New Life [2 Corinthians 5:17] we received as we: Admitted sin, Believed in You, and Confessed You as Lord [Matthew 4:17; Romans 10:8-10]. 4/Thank you, Holy Spirit, for Best Life, for transforming us by guiding us into all Truth [John 16:13].</p>
4.0	<p><i>Your Kingdom come</i> 1/Thank You for delivering us out of darkness into the Kingdom of Your Beloved Son [Colossians 1:13].</p>
4.1	<p><i>At this time, we will have a Bible Encounter (BE).</i> <i>We may read a chapter of the Gospels or Scriptures on a topic.</i></p> <p><i>We use the S.T.A.R.T. approach to encounter the Bible. We:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>1. S = Study Jesus—even if we are not reading a Gospel chapter, all of the Bible tells us about Him.</i> <i>2. T = Translate what He did, said, and said to do, into Practices.</i> <i>3. A = Assess Adherence—are we doing the Practices?</i> <i>4. R = Reveal and Repent of our shortfalls, as we are told to do in James 5:16</i> <i>5. T = Transform—we ask God to heal us of our shortfall, also in James 5:16.</i>

	<p><i>We will now read the Scripture for today. (The Facilitator may assign others to read portions of the Scripture. (When the Scripture has been read...)</i></p> <p><i>At this time, we will reflect on the Scripture. Please allow the Holy Spirit to minister this Word to you in a personal way. Father, in the Name of Jesus, by You, Holy Spirit, please use Your Word to train and transform us.</i></p> <p><i>We will now have a time of reflection for ___ (3 to 7) minutes to allow the Holy Spirit to minister to us. (After the time of quiet...)</i></p> <p><i>At this time everyone who would like to speak is invited to do so. We will again use Protected Speaking—please, no comments or questions as another speaks. Please keep your share personal—“How does the Scripture relate to me?”</i></p> <p><i>(If needed...) As there are quite a few of us, we’ll use Timed Speaking. Each of us will have up to _____ (divide the time allotted by the number of participants) minutes each. Please time yourself. Who would like to begin?</i></p> <p><i>(After everyone who wants to speak has done so...) Thank you, everyone...</i></p> <p><u><i>{Training Level: The following sections, 5, 6, and 7, are providing opportunities to pray Requests. We will pray through each portion to see what type of Request is offered. We will then have an opportunity to draft and share our Requests. Of note, Jesus said to two blind men, “What do you wish me to do for you?” [Matthew 20:32]}</i></u></p>
5	<p><i>Your Will be done on earth as it is in Heaven</i> 1/Father, please help us to choose Your Will, as Jesus did, and to do it [Matthew 26:36-44].</p> <p><u><i>{Training Level: In this portion of the prayer, we are inviting God’s Will to be done. We might consider if we are doing God’s Will, especially on the areas of Missions and Ministry. What do we want Jesus to do for us in the area of Missions and Ministry?}</i></u></p>
6	<p><i>Give us this day our daily bread</i> 1/Thank You, Father, that You know what we need before we ask You [Matthew 6:8]. 2/Thank You for training us to ask, even though You already know what we need [James 4:2].</p> <p><u><i>{Training Level: In this portion, we are asking that our daily needs be met. We might consider Requests about our personal needs or the needs of others.}</i></u></p>
7	<p><i>And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us</i> 1/We read that we must forgive in order to be forgiven [Matthew 6:15-16]. 2/Father, please help us recognize any unforgiveness or sin in us [Psalm 139:23-24]. 3/Please help us confess our shortfalls to each other, and to pray to receive Your healing [James 5:16].</p> <p><u><i>{Training Level: In this portion we are asking to be forgiven as we have forgiven. We might consider any unforgiveness we may have.}</i></u></p>

	<p><u>We might also consider our own Shortfalls, that for which we need forgiveness.</u> <u>Perhaps, something needing confession came forward in today's reading.</u> <u>We might consider confessing the Shortfall, as we are comfortable, and praying for the healing of it.</u></p>
7.1	<p>We will now be silent for two minutes in order to draft our Requests.</p> <p><u>{Training Level</u> <u>During this time, please draft Requests of 10 words or less for the three areas above.</u> <u>We find that many Requests can be prayed in a few minutes if we take the time to draft them.</u></p> <p><u>We are encouraged to be persistent in prayer.</u> <u>Some Requests may be brought forward each week until the prayer is answered.</u> <u>In all Requests we watch for and report answers.}</u></p> <p>(After two minutes of silence....)</p> <p>At this time everyone who would like to pray is invited to do so. We will again use Protected Speaking—please, no comments or questions as another speaks. Who would like to begin?</p> <p>(After everyone has had an opportunity to pray...)</p> <p>In conclusion...</p>
8	<p>And lead us not into temptation 1/Father, please keep us from false gods and damaging ways [1 Corinthians 10:13]. 2/Father, please guide us in the paths of righteousness in all areas [Psalm 23:3].</p>
9	<p>But deliver us from evil and the evil one 1/Father, please protect us from all evil [Psalm 121:7].</p>
10	<p>For Your is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory now and forever. 1/We Praise Your majesty, Father, Jesus, and Holy Spirit, now and forever [Psalm 8].</p> <p>And everyone said, "Amen."</p>