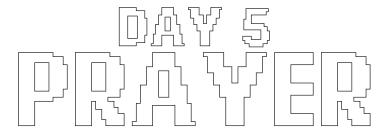
# PIRSI WEEK







# Matthew 6:9-13 NASB

Pray, then, in this way: 'Our Father who is 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 also have forgiven our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil. [For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.]

### **OBSERVATION**

God desires intimacy with you. By the Holy Spirit, prayer begins as honest conversation between you and God. The word says that "the prayer of a righteous [person] is powerful and effective" (James 5:16 NIV). You have been made righteous through Jesus and your prayer has power. When you pray the will of God, He goes to work. Jesus models for us how to pray and what to pray.

### APPLICATION

- 1. How is your prayer life? Do you have a quiet place; a physical location you go to be with God? Are there things you would like to change?
- 2. Are there things in your life you want to talk to God about? Why not take this moment to offer them to God in prayer?
- 3. Are there people or situations where you are hoping for God to show up? With the Lord's Prayer in mind, bring them before God now.

## **PRAYER**

Lord, thank you for teaching me to pray and allowing me to commune with you by your Holy Spirit. Help me not to pray one-way prayers where I just ask from you, but help me pause and listen to what you have to say to me. I thank you that you aren't a distant God, but rather a close Father who hears when I call. My heart's desire is to be close to you. Help me to come before you as I am reminded I don't have to earn your love, but I have all-access to all of you: your love, your grace, and your help. Lead me in a life that daily chooses to be found in prayerful connection with you. Amen.

### PRAYER FOCUS

- For honesty and intimacy to increase before God in my prayer life
- For our community to rise up as a people of passionate prayer
- For reconciliation in our nation
- For God's kingdom to come and His will to be done across the earth

### **BLESSING**

So train your heart to listen when I speak and open your spirit wide to expand your discernment— then pass it on to your sons and daughters. Yes, cry out for comprehension and intercede for insight. For if you keep seeking it like a man would seek for sterling silver, searching in hidden places for cherished treasure, then you will discover the fear of the Lord and find the true knowledge of God.

-Proverbs 22-5 TPT