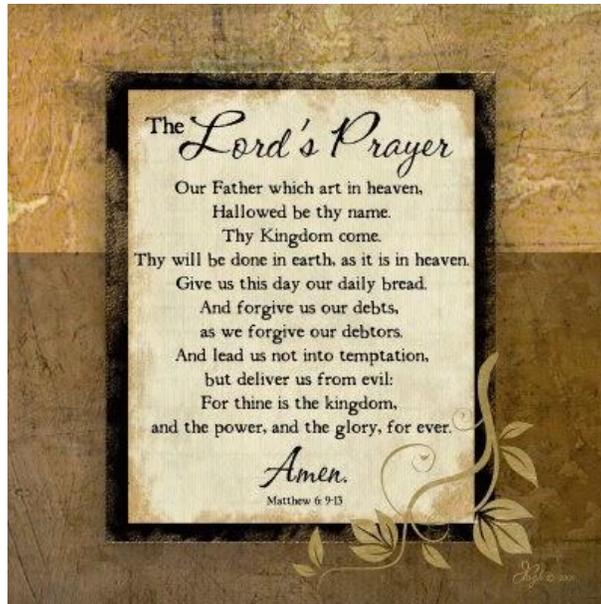


The Lord's Prayer or the Jewish – Israelites Disciples Prayer



Biblical Reading from the King James Bible

“But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking. Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask Him.”

Matthew 6:7, 8

Religious leaders of most denominations, whether it be Roman Catholic, Eastern Orthodox, Greek Catholic, Protestant, etc. in their services have their parishioners/congregation recite a venerated (held in deep respect; revered) prayer what is called “The Lord’s Prayer” or “The Our Father and the Pater Noster (Latin)”. It is even sung during their Services/the Mass. It’s been the religious thing to do for centuries, as far back to around 650 A.D. / C.E.

The “Lord’s Prayer” is one of the most beautiful, meaningful, and touching prayers in the Bible, but;

In my opinion those who recite it today are committing two major blunders.

- 1) The Lord Jesus Christ (Yeshua the Messiah) warned the disciples that they were not to pray this prayer, or any prayer for that matter, repetitiously (Matt. 6:5-7). Prayer is not a religious exercise, but rather communication with God; therefore, it should always be spoken from the heart.
- 2) The Disciples Prayer, or which I call “The Israelites and Jewish Disciples Prayer” which I feel this prayer should be called, was given as a model for those who would be called upon to endure the Tribulation. Since the Body of Christ (The Church) is delivered from the wrath to come, this prayer does not apply to us in this dispensation of Grace (I Thes. 5:9).

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Remember:

While “All Scripture is given by Inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness” (2 Timothy 3:16 KJV), you have to know how to “rightly divide the Word of Truth” as stated in 2 Timothy 2:15 KJV “Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.”

I will present this article in which some call it “Dispensationally Divided” while keeping it simple for laymen to have a basic understanding.

The following are 2 versions of this prayer, the one used a lot from the Gospel of Matthew and a shorter one from the Gospel of Luke

Matthew 6: 9 – 13 KJV

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Luke 11: 2 – 4 KJV

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth. Give us day by day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

(The Roman Catholic Church's version of the Lord's Prayer)

Our Father who art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses. As we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil.

Many Protestant Churches replaces the lines “And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us” with:

“And forgive us our debts as we have forgiven our debtors” and also add the following conclusion:

For thine is the kingdom, And the power, And the glory, Forever. Amen.



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My Analysis of The Israelites/Jewish Disciples' Prayer

“Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name.”

The reference here to “Our Father” is to the God and Father of Israel; the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. His name is so holy that the Israelites feared they might inadvertently speak it in vain; well here is what the Scripture says about taking God's name in vain:

Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD (YHWH, Yahweh or Jehovah) thy God (Elohim) in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain. Exodus 20:7 KJV. BTW, God's name is also Adonai (Lord).

“Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.”

The hope of every Israelite was the establishment of the Davidic Kingdom. God's will for the earth is to overthrow the kingdoms of this world and establish the millennial kingdom of His only Begotten Son! (II Sam. 7:8-17; Luke 1:68-72; Rev. 11:15; 20:6).

“Give us this day our daily bread.”

In the future Tribulation, The saints in that day will find it necessary to pray for their daily provision of food, since they will be unable to buy or sell without the Mark of the Beast. Subsequently, God will supernaturally nourish the chosen nation. (Rev. 12:14 compare to Rev. 13:13-18). Also look @ Rev. 12:6.

“And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.”

Today, believers are to forgive others, even as God for Christ's sake has forgiven His believers, but under the kingdom gospel, forgiveness was based upon a like-spirit (Matt. 18:21-35 compare to Eph. 4:32).

“And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.”

Seems what is being asked, “Lord deliver us from Satan!” (Rev. 6:7-11; 12:12; 13:1-10). Keep in mind, lots of saints will be executed during the Tribulation! (Re. 6: 9 - 11).

