

The Lord's Prayer Guide

"God is in heaven, and you on earth; therefore let your words be few." – Ecclesiastes 5:2

"In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father – our Papa

Pause: How can I best express childlike affection for my devoted Dad?

Personalize: _____

In heaven, – above all and in full control

Pause: How can I best express my respect for our Father's absolute authority?

Personalize: _____

Hallowed be Your name. – You are the very definition of reality, righteousness, and redemption

Pause: How can I best express my gratitude for our Papa's perfect goodness?

Personalize: _____

Your kingdom come. – into the hearts of all who will receive You as their Savior *and* Lord

Pause: Whose salvation can I pray for, and watch for opportunity to encourage and inspire?

Personalize: _____

Your will be done – in our *own* heart, as we mature in love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, etc.

On earth as it is in heaven. – Immediately and completely and passionately

Pause: In what ways do I need to change and grow to become more like Jesus?

Personalize: _____

Give us this day our daily bread. – No more, no less, except for that which we can share

Pause: How can I be more generous with my abundance, and more trusting with my lack?

Personalize: _____

And forgive us our debts, – anything we’ve done that violates our commitment to Christ

Pause: What do I need to confess, that is hindering my closeness with Christ?

Personalize: _____

As we forgive our debtors. – surrendering our desire to get even, and trusting in the Lord

Pause: Who can I forgive, in grateful response to God’s forgiveness to me?

Personalize: _____

And do not lead us into temptation, – lead us away from, or lead us out of, the lure of sin

Pause: Which temptations do I need strength to steer clear of, or to stand up under?

Personalize: _____

But deliver us from the evil one. – whenever the wickedness that is against us, overcomes us

Pause: Am I in need of rescue? Am I resisting the Life Guard?

Personalize: _____

For Yours is the kingdom – and it has been firmly established through the sacrifice of Christ

Pause: How can I best express my ongoing commitment to the rule and reign of Jesus?

Personalize: _____

And the power and the glory forever. – the supremacy and radiance of an eternal Savior

Pause: How can I best praise the unending, unparalleled, strength and splendor of Jesus?

Personalize: _____

Amen.” – With all of my heart, I pledge to carry out what I have prayed

The Lord’s Prayer Guide is found in Matthew 6:9-13