Learning To Pray - 4

"In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father 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 forgive our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen." Matthew 6:9-13 NKJV

Jesus taught His disciples this pattern of prayer:

- 1. Worship
- 2. Declaration
- 3. Provision
- 4. Forgiveness
- 5. Protection
- 6. Thanksgiving

III. THE THIRD PRAYER TOPIC: PROVISION

God wants us to ask.

"Until now you have asked nothing in My name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full."

John 16:24 NKJV

"And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:19 NKJV

1. ASK **DAILY**

"Then the Lord said to Moses, 'I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions.'" Exodus 16:4 NIV

"So He humbled you, allowed you to hunger, and fed you with manna which you did not know nor did your fathers know, that He might make you know that man shall not live by bread alone; but man lives by every word that proceeds from the mouth of the Lord."

Deuteronomy 8:3 NKJV

"Who fed you in the wilderness with manna, which your fathers did not know, that He might humble you and that He might test you, to do you good in the end." Deuteronomy 8:16 NKJV

"Then you say in your heart, 'My power and the might of my hand have gained me this wealth.'"

Deuteronomy 8:17 NKJV

"And you shall remember the Lord your God, for it is He who gives you power to get wealth, that He may establish His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as it is this day." Deuteronomy 8:18 NKJV

2. ASK **ACCORDINGLY**

"You want something but don't get it. You kill and covet, but you cannot have what you want. You quarrel and fight. You do not have, because you do not ask God. When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures."

James 4:2-3 NIV

"Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. Or what man is there among you who, if his son asks for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will

he give him a serpent? If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him! Therefore, whatever you want men to do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets." Matthew 7:7-12 NKJV

"When he had gone indoors, the blind men came to him, and he asked them, 'Do you believe that I am able to do this?' 'Yes, Lord,' they replied. Then he touched their eyes and said, 'According to your faith will it be done to you.'" Matthew 9:28-29 NIV

3. ASK **SPECIFICALLY**

"Jesus stopped and called them. 'What do you want me to do for you? he asked." Matthew 20:32 NIV

"The young lions lack and suffer hunger; but those who seek the Lord shall not lack any good thing."

Psalm 34:10 NKJV

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled." Matthew 5:6 NKJV

"For He satisfies the longing soul, and fills the hungry soul with goodness." Psalm 107:9 NKJV

4. ASK FOR THE **BREAD OF LIFE**

"Then Jesus said to them, 'Most assuredly, I say to you, Moses did not give you the bread from heaven, but My Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is He who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' Then they said to Him, 'Lord, give us this bread always.' And Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst.'"

John 6:32-35 NKJV