

Connecting with God
Prayer of Dependence

Matthew 6:11

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Matthew 6¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread. (ESV)

WHAT DOES BREAD REPRESENT?

1. The NECESSITIES of life.

Psalms 104²⁷ All creatures look to you to give them their food at the proper time. (NIV)

2. GOD'S WORD.

Matthew 4⁴ Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" (NIV)

3. SPIRITUAL RENEWAL.

2 Corinthians 4¹⁶ Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. (NIV)

4. FELLOWSHIP with God and His church.

1 Corinthians 10¹⁶ And when we break off pieces of the bread from the loaf to eat there together, this shows that we are sharing together in the benefits of his body. (TLB)

DEPENDING ON GOD MEANS...

1. RECOGNIZING that He is our life source.

Philippians 4¹⁹ And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus. (NIV)

Matthew 7¹¹ If you... know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him! (NIV)

Psalms 23¹ The LORD is my shepherd; I have all that I need. (NLT)

2. TRUSTING HIM for today.

Matthew 6³⁴ Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own. (NIV)

Philippians 4⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. (NIV)

3. SHARING what He gives to us.

2 Corinthians 9 ¹⁰ For God is the one who provides seed for the farmer and then bread to eat. In the same way, he will provide and increase your resources and then produce a great harvest of generosity in you. ¹¹ Yes, you will be enriched in every way so that you can always be generous. And when we take your gifts to those who need them, they will thank God. (NIV)

Isaiah 58 ⁷ Share your food with the hungry and open your homes to the homeless poor. Give clothes to those who have nothing to wear, and do not refuse to help your own relatives. ⁸ Then my favor will shine on you like the morning sun, and your wounds will be quickly healed. I will always be with you to save you. (NIV)

Proverbs 11 ²⁴ Those who give generously receive more, but those who are stingy with what is appropriate will grow needy. (CEB)

Last Thought:

When we ask for daily bread, we express faith in God to provide for **ALL THAT WE NEED**.