

Scripture Reading

Matthew 6:9-13 (ESV)

⁹ Pray then like this: “Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. ¹⁰ Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. ¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread, ¹² and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. ¹³ And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

1) This is how you should pray

Matthew 6:9 (NIV)

⁹ "This, then, is how you should pray:

2) The structure of the prayer reflects the greatest commandment

Matthew 22:36-40 (NIV)

³⁶ "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" ³⁷ Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' ³⁸ This is the first and greatest commandment. ³⁹ And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' ⁴⁰ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

Introduction – Our Father in heaven

Section 1 – Hallowed be Your name
– Your Kingdom come
– Your will be done

Section 2 – Give us
– Forgive us
– Lead us

3) Every petition reflects something that Jesus wants us to take into our daily life

Psalms 34:8 (NIV)

⁸ Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the man who takes refuge in him.

Exodus 16:4 (NIV)

⁴ 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.

Ephesians 4:32 (NIV)

³² Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.