

The Jesus Way to Pray

Part 4: The Lord's Prayer (cont'd)

Matthew 6: 9-13

Launch

What is your favorite thing about Fall? What's your least favorite thing about it? Why is Fall sometimes called Autumn? (No other season has two names.)

Explore

Read the passage

Why does Jesus emphasize asking God for "daily bread"? (See Exodus 16:4-5)

What is the connection between receiving forgiveness from God and offering forgiveness to others? (See Matthew 6:14-15)

What is the difference between trials and temptations? What is God's purpose of each? (See James 1:13)

Apply

When is it most difficult to acknowledge your daily dependence on God? When is it easiest? What role does our culture play in this?

Describe a time in your life when you had a hard time forgiving someone. What allowed you to finally forgive that person? What role did the gospel play in your struggle with forgiveness?

Which is more difficult for you to experience: trials or temptations? When has God allowed you to be tested by a difficult circumstance? (Maybe it's happening right now.)

Pray

Pair up and pray for each other, specifically in the areas of dependence, forgiveness, and trials.