

# *Father, Let Your Will be Done*

*“This, then, is how you should 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 today our daily bread. Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.’” (Matthew 6:9-13)*

The above Scripture is commonly known as the Lord’s Prayer because one day the disciples of the Lord Jesus asked Him to teach them how to pray and He gave this model or an example of a prayer. Jesus did not say that, this is what we should pray but instead this is how we should pray.

Prayer is speaking to God, and we call God ‘Father’ because we are His children if we have received Jesus as our Lord and Savior. *“For God so loved the world that He gave His One and only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.” (John 3:16)* Jesus Christ died on the cross to pay the price of our sins and He rose from death on the third day to give us eternal life. *“Yet to all who received Him, to those who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God.” (John 1:12)* Prayer is the conversation between God and His children. When we pray we speak to God the Father and He listens and speaks to us as well. He responds to us and He sends us His Spirit, the Holy Spirit, who teaches us and reminds us of everything. God’s Spirit directs us to the right direction and teaches us God’s will and desire.

Prayer is our fellowship and communication to God, our Father in heaven. We pour out to Him our praises, thanksgiving and adoration, and as well we bring to Him our petitions and needs. However, the Lord Jesus taught us to pray for the Father’s will to be done; *“Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.”*

Not everything we ask God is God’s will. Oftentimes we ask God certain thing and then we are upset when we do not receive. But after a period of time we realize that it is really good that God did not give otherwise we are left in a big trouble. God is sparing us from problems if He does not answer our certain request, because He knows better than us. God’s will is always good, pleasing and perfect will.

It is a wise decision that whatever we pray for we ask God *“Let your will be done.”* When we ask certain things that is not God’s will, it is better that it will not happen otherwise we will bear the consequences for having that things that God does not agree with. If we ask God something against His will and we keep on insisting on Him, and we refuse to listen to what His Spirit tell us but we keep our focus on what we ask even if it is against His will, God allows us to receive what we ask but we also receive the consequences of our own desire and will.

When the chosen people of God were taken out from slavery and they left Egypt, the Lord God made a great deliverance for them. God opened the Red Sea water and made them walk on the dry land, and when the Pharaoh of Egypt and his army followed them the Lord brought back the water over Pharaoh’s soldiers and no one of them were saved. Then God led His people in the desert toward the land He has promised to their

forefathers. But while the people were in the desert they kept on grumbling and complaining to Moses, their leader. God provided them from heaven, the manna that taste like wafers with honey but the people were never satisfied. They were not happy with what God had given them instead they wanted to taste other food. They wanted meat to eat and they continually grumbled against God. *“The rabble with them began to crave other food, and again the Israelites started wailing and said, “If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we ate in Egypt at no cost—also the cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions and garlic. But now we have lost our appetite; we never see anything but this manna!” (Numbers 11:4-6)* The Lord heard the people’s complaints and spoke to His servant Moses: *“Tell the people: ‘Consecrate yourselves in preparation for tomorrow, when you will eat meat. The LORD heard you when you wailed, “If only we had meat to eat! We were better off in Egypt!” Now the LORD will give you meat, and you will eat it. You will not eat it for just one day, or two days, or five, ten or twenty days, but for a whole month—until it comes out of your nostrils and you loathe it—because you have rejected the LORD, who is among you, and have wailed before him, saying, “Why did we ever leave Egypt.”’” (Numbers 11: 18-20)*

The Lord God gave the people’s request to eat meat because they kept complaining. Nevertheless they provoked God’s anger and they received the consequence: *“Now a wind went out from the Lord and drove quail in from the sea. It brought them down all around the camp to about three feet above the ground, as far as a day’s walk in any direction. All that day and night and all the next day the people went out and gathered quail. No-one gathered less than ten homers. Then they spread them out all around the camp. But while the meat was still between their teeth and before it could be consumed, the anger of the Lord burned against the people, and He struck them with a severe plague. Therefore the place was named Kibroth Hattavah, because there they buried the people who have craved other food.” (Numbers 11:31-34)* The meaning of Kibroth Hattavah is the graves of craving. The people of God were craving for other food and had set their minds on those things that they ate in Egypt. But they did not think that while they were enslaved in Egypt they were forced to do hard work and they cried to the Lord and so God delivered them out. Thus far, they were not happy with what God had been doing for them and they kept complaining and grumbling, so God granted their desire to eat meat, but they also received the consequences.

***My dear and beloved:*** The above Bible event should be a lesson to us. We need not to desire things against God’s desire. We need not to grumble and insist to what we want because God knows our needs. Simply when we pray we ask God what we desire, then we surrender everything to Him by saying, *“Not my will, Father God, let Your will be done.”*

***My Prayer:*** *“Heavenly Father, I come before You, in the name of Jesus who died on the cross to give me eternal life and life to the best. Lord God, I surrender all my life plans and desires into your hand. Let Your will be done in my life. You have chosen me and called me to be Your child and I know Your plan for me is better than what I desire for myself. Father God, lead me in the way that You want me to be. Thank You, Lord, for what You have done and for what You are going to do for me. This is my prayer in Jesus’ name, Amen.”*