THE LORD'S PRAYER

A Prayer for Daily Victory

Teaching

This prayer and teaching is based on a teaching done by Michael Massa, Senior Pastor of Church of the King in Dallas, Texas. The Lord's prayer found in Matthew 6 and Luke 11 is not so much a verbatim prayer as it is a "template" or guide to prayer. Jesus indicates this when He says, "after this manner pray ye." In other words, He is saying "pray like this," which is not verbatim. Words must be mixed with faith in order to be fruitful in the Kingdom of God. Words indicate what you really believe.

This prayer is not approached as a supplication but more as a legal pleading. Because of our position as sons and daughter, priests and kings, we can boldly claim the Kingdom of God to come into our realm of influence. We all have a realm or a sphere of influence that includes our family, friends, co-workers and our community—even our state and nation. We are all part of an "us." Notice the Lord's prayer says "our" and not "I" or "me." Let's look at this prayer.

Our Father who is 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 lead us not into temptation
But deliver us from the evil one
For Yours is the Kingdom and the Power
And the Glory!
Amen and Amen!

Defining Your Realm

What is a realm? A realm is an area of authority and rule. Kings rule over a realm of their kingdom. It is where their laws rule the land and the people in it. They have established dominion in that realm and their decrees are obeyed.

We are priests and kings of God through the Blood of Jesus. Revelation 1:6 says "And formed us into a kingdom (a royal race), priests to His God and Father—to Him be the glory and the power and the majesty and the dominion throughout the ages and forever and ever. Amen!" ~ He is Jesus. His victory on the Cross has made us priests, a royal nation i.e. kings. I Peter 2:9 says "But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a dedicated nation, God's own purchased, special people, that you may set forth the wonderful deeds and display the virtues and perfections of Him Who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light."

In this position of authority, we have the right to make declarations over our realm of influence, which includes our physical body, our family and friends, our material possessions, our career, our finances and our ministry in the Kingdom of God. This is our realm or sphere of influence. This prayer establishes our dominion in our realm and brings the Kingdom of God into it. Remember Jesus says in Luke 17:21 "Nor will people say, Look! Here it is or, See, it is there! For behold, the Kingdom of God is within you, in your hearts, and among you, surrounding you."—
"surrounding you" is your realm.

Your Realm

Spiritual Realm ~ Your spiritual realm includes your intimate relationship with the Lord (your walk with Him); the ministry or purpose He has called you to do in the earth; your spiritual growth and progress (the things you do to grow your faith).

Relationship Realm ~ Your marriage, children, extended family, friends and acquaintances, church family, co-workers and those in your community. Our lives impact those around us no matter how close they are to us. Our attitude affects the people around us. We either shine the light of the Kingdom of God into our realm or we are part of the darkness already there. Relationships are difficult because people are people. Offenses will come and we have to let ALL offenses go. Offense is illegal in the Kingdom of God. We are COMMANDED TO LOVE EVERYONE. Period. This comes through spiritual maturity.

Natural Realm ~ Your natural realm includes your geographical location, your possessions like your house, car, clothes etc. The natural realm includes your physical body and your financial provisions like your job and income streams.

Dominion

As believers and followers of Jesus Christ, we have been given dominion or rule over our realm of influence through the work of the Cross. It starts at the Cross. We entered a blood covenant with the Creator of the Universe at the Cross. People who are not born again, have no covenant and are subject to the rule of Satan because he runs the world system or "mammon."

We must understand our legal position in the kingdom of God and in the earth. If we don't know who we are and our authority, we cannot establish dominion in our realm. Once we understand

this, then we can apply this prayer to our realm every day and walk in victory. Will life be all roses? NO! Satan will resist, but he must flee. He will buffet but we have the victory to overcome because Jesus already overcame!

The foundation to applying this prayer is knowing your authority, knowing your created value to God and receiving His great love for YOU specifically. **TRUTH: If you were the only person ever born who needed a Savior, then Jesus would have died just for YOU.** Every soul is precious to God.

We are empowered and even commanded to bring the Kingdom of God into the lives of all those in our realm. We are the lights on the hill that Jesus talked about. But dominion must be established in our realm. When we are born again we are given a measure of faith and the love of God, the Agape love of God, is poured into our hearts. We are responsible for growing in faith and love into trees of righteousness that will bless those in our realm.

Authority

What is authority? Authority is the means of enforcing the laws of the land. For example, a policeman has the authority from the entire government to stop you for speeding. If he had no authority and you knew it, you would just drive on by him. Why do you stop? Because you know if you don't you'll be thrown in jail. Authority makes you stop.

We have authority in our realm whether we know it or not. We have already been given that authority by Jesus when we became born-again. Suppose that same policeman didn't understand that he had the authority to direct traffic? If he didn't know or understand, he would never pull you over or step out into traffic for fear of being run over. Likewise, if we don't know or understand who we are in Christ; our authority, we'll never step out and take dominion over our realm.

Created Value

What is our created value? It is the value that God the Father placed on each one of us. How many of us know that God has a really big heart? Did you know that you have ALWAYS been in His heart? He loved you from the foundation of the world because you were in His heart. Your life and purpose were in His heart. There is not a single person like you. Even if you are an identical twin, you are still unique—one of a kind.

We are EVERYTHING to the Father. Our value to Him is worth the death of His Son. He knew when He made the move to create Adam, that he would fall and give dominion of Earth to Satan. Yet God had ALREADY made arrangements to redeem us.

At some point in eternity, Satan conned one third of the heavenly host of angels into a rebellion against God. He wanted to be like the Most High, which of course he lost and was cast out into the second heavens and the earth. God then prepared Hell and the Lake of Fire for these rebellious spirits at the appointed time of judgment. That is why the earth was without form and void when God began the six days of creation. Hell is in the center of the earth.

When Adam gave his authority and dominion of Earth to Satan, mankind all were headed for the same fate as Satan because ALL rebellion will enter the lake of fire at the last judgment. Satan was gleeful that he had tricked mankind into going to destruction along with him. But God wasn't about

to let this be the end of His children. Jesus was slain from the foundation of the world for us. That is our created value to God!

We must all get the revelation of just how much God loves us. We cannot wrap our minds around the love of God because HE IS LOVE. Think about this: when we fall in love with a person and we KNOW they love us. We feel so warm inside and secure. We are happy to know that this person loves us more than anyone else. Right? Now multiply that feeling by a million and you can get an inkling of the depth of God's love for YOU. There is NOTHING that can compare to the love of God.

We are never alone when we have God. We cannot ever say "nobody loves me." That is a lie because God loves you and Jesus already paid the price for every sin you'll ever commit! Understanding and embracing our created value will firmly establish your faith and empower you to take dominion over your realm.

So, understanding both your authority and your created value are key to successfully ruling in your realm of influence. If you aren't sure about it, begin to study it out and seek God about it.

How to Establish Dominion

So, how do we establish dominion in our realm of influence? What if I have not represented Jesus well as a Christian? First, repent and tell the Lord that today you want to begin to live victoriously for Him. Our living victoriously brings Him glory! Forget yesterday and don't worry about tomorrow. Jesus said today is the day we are to deal with.

There is only one way to fully understand our authority and created value and that is through a personal and intimate relationship with the Father through Jesus Christ. The Father wants fellowship with His children. THAT is the primary reason He redeemed us! He wants to walk with us in the cool of the day—every day of our lives. Christianity is NOT a religion. It is a RELATIONSHIP. It is as individual as we are. We must begin to get to know God intimately and as we do, we will begin to see and understand who we are, our authority and our created value to Him. This will build a strong foundation of faith to stand in the toughest battles and come out victorious.

How is this foundation laid? It is a daily interaction with God through talking with Him, sharing your dreams with Him, praising Him, worshipping Him, reading and studying His Word and obeying His instructions. He says, "draw near to Me and I will draw near to you." Do that. Draw near to Him!

Begin by just saying "good morning Lord!" and reading one verse out of the Bible. Pick a book like the Psalms and read just one verse to start with. I promise you, your appetite for His Word will increase. Pick a time of the day to spend fifteen to thirty minutes just talking with Him. Tell Him of your dreams and hopes. Tell Him your problems and hurts. Find a church and begin going at least one service a week to start with. The Body of Christ is an important part of each Christian's life. We all must be in a "harvest field."

Seek the Baptism of the Holy Spirit if you haven't received the gift of the power of God. This is a precious gift God wants you to receive to be successful! Ask Jesus to baptize you and He will. The

Holy Spirit is the Third Person of the Trinity and He must be equally valued! He loves YOU! Let Him in to bring power and victory to your life!

As you begin to do these things, God will begin to work in your life. You'll see. As you grow in faith and in the intimate relationship, your foundation will be strong to withstand the resistance of Satan against your life.

Applying the Lord's Prayer to Your Life

In addition to spending intimate time with the Lord, we are also required to establish our dominion through prayer every day. There are many types and facets to prayer, which this teaching doesn't cover, but one of these types is daily prayer to establish our dominion.

For example, after you finish your intimate time with the Lord, then begin your prayer time for your realm. This is what I call "Kingdom Business" prayer. It is separate from intimacy. It does NOT replace intimacy. Intimacy is us being attached to the Vine, which is Who is Jesus.

It is at this time that you would pray the Lord's prayer over your realm for the day. It should be a daily prayer because each day has its own troubles. The stronger your realm is the less Satan can trouble you. That is what taking dominion is. It is pushing him back to the place where he knows he can't overwhelm you—as long as you are abiding in the Vine, he'll be outside your realm of influence.

Conclusion

What can you take away from this teaching? The number one thing you need to do is begin to pursue the intimate relationship. EVERYTHING in the Kingdom of God hinges on this one thing. The intimate relationship ensures you are abiding in the Vine: Jesus Christ and that is where the power of dominion is formed.

The next section in this teaching is the actual prayer to speak out in faith every day. It MUST be spoken in faith, not a vain repetition. Faith is everything in the Kingdom. You will see, as I have, the power of declaring the Word of God over your life.

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PRAISE & THANKSGIVING

Bless You O LORD! Bless the LORD O my soul! Bless His Holy Name!

Bless the LORD O my soul! Your benefits are ever-present and ever-faithful! Right on time!

You forgive all my iniquities! You heal all my diseases!

You redeem my life from the pit and destruction!

You beautify, dignify and crown me with loving-kindness and tender mercy!

You satisfy my mouth with good so that my youth, is renewed like the eagle's!

You execute righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed!

Your mercies and loving-kindnesses are from everlasting to everlasting!

Your throne O LORD is established forever!

Bless You LORD! You are very great!

You are the One Who covers Yourself with light as a garment, Who stretches out the heavens like a curtain!

You make the clouds Your chariot! You walk on the wind! You make the winds Your messengers, flames of fire Your ministers!

You laid the foundation of the earth, that it should not be moved forever!

In Wisdom You have made them all! The earth is full of Your riches!

I will sing to You LORD as long as I live!

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being!

LET YOUR NAME BE KEPT HOLY IN MY REALM!

O LORD, our LORD, how excellent is Your name in all the earth!

As is Your name, O God, so is Your praise to the ends of the earth!

Your great name shall endure forever!

Your name continues as long as the sun—forever!

God is known and renowned, Your name is highly praised and is great!

Your name is like perfume poured out!

Your name is Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace!

You are the great King! Your name is terrible and to be reverently feared among all nations!

LET DIVINE PROVISIONS RULE IN MY REALM!

You provide for the raven it's prey when its young ones cry to You!

You, in Your goodness, provide for the poor and needy!

You are always FAITHFUL to provide even in our weakness and faithlessness!

You provide seed to sow and bread to eat day after day and year after year!

You always provide and multiply my resources!

You always bring increase to the fruits of my righteousness!

You cause me to be enriched in all things and in every way, so that I can be generous and bring forth thanksgiving to Your great name!

LET FORGIVENESS AND MERCY RULE IN MY HEART AND REALM!

I am so blessed to have forgiveness of my transgressions! My sins are covered by the blood of Jesus!

You are full of mercy and compassion! You forgave my iniquities. Yes, many times You turned Your anger away from my evil ways!

You, O LORD, are GOOD, and ready to forgive. You are abundant in mercy and loving-kindness!

Today, I choose to remit and forgive the sins of anyone who wrongs anyone in my realm!

All in my realm are of one mind, united in purpose and spirit. We sympathize with one another, love each other as family!

All in my realm are compassionate and courteous, tender-hearted and humble.

All in my realm are called and are a blessing to everyone around them!

All in my realm have intense and unfailing love for one another—for love covers a multitude of sins!

All offenses are disregarded and covered by LOVE!

LET TOTAL VICTORY RULE IN MY REALM!

You are King of my realm Lord Jesus! You command victories and deliverance for me!

You have swallowed up death in victory! You will abolish death forever! You will wipe away our tears and take away our reproach among men! For You have spoken it!

All in my realm stand firm and steadfast, immoveable, always abounding in the work of the LORD!

All in my realm are doing more than is required. We excel in all our ways!

We are keenly aware that our labor for You LORD is not futile!

We are more than conquerors through Christ Jesus Who strengthens us!

We are strong in the LORD and in the power of Your might! We are empowered through You! We draw our strength from You! Your boundless might releases strength to us—Your precious ones!

All in my realm are fully equipped in the armor of God.

All in my realm are able to successfully stand up against the strategies and deceits of the devil!

LET THE KINGDOM AND THE GLORY AND THE POWER OF GOD RULE IN MY REALM!

Let the Kingdom of God rule in my realm today! Let the Kingdom of God come near to all in my realm today!

Let the mysteries and secrets of the Kingdom be known to all in my realm!

Let the Word of the Kingdom be heard and grasped and comprehended by all in my realm!

Let all in my realm be disciples of the Kingdom who bring fresh revelation and knowledge!

Let all in my realm hear the blessed Word of the King! Come! You blessed of My Father! Inherit the Kingdom prepared for You from the foundation of the world!

GLORY TO THE LORD!

I praise You Father for watching over Your Word to perform it in my realm today! I give You all the glory and the honor for Your great and wondrous love for me and for everyone in my realm today. May the Kingdom of God be enriched today through my life and through everyone in my realm today. Glory to You Jesus! Amen and Amen!