

‘TEACH US TO PRAY’
Sermon Notes from The Path

Read the Lord’s Prayer in the 2 gospels (Matthew 6:9-13 and Luke 11:1-4). What is similar in each version? What is different?

Why do you think Jesus chose the word “*pater*,” a more formal, traditional understanding of father, instead of the more familiar, “*Abba*,” which Jesus uses at other times?

In what ways is the Lord’s Prayer relational:

- 1) towards God? What does this teach us about prayer?
- 2) toward others? What does this teach us about prayer?

How does the Lord’s Prayer deal with our own needs and issues? What does this teach us?

Why are we to state in our prayers that God’s Name is to be hallowed? What does that mean?

Why should we pray for the coming of God’s kingdom? What would that look like? How would things be different?

When we ask, “give us this day our daily bread” what is that teaching about God’s provision and our work?

Does God lead us into temptation? What does that phrase, “lead us not into temptation,” mean?

Which understanding works best for you, “deliver us from evil,” or “deliver us from the evil one”?

Why do many Protestants add, “for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory”? What does this phrase mean?

What does, “amen” mean? Why do we use it at the end of a prayer? What other ways might we say it today in current language?

Overall, what did Jesus teach about prayer in the Lord’s Prayer?