**The Prayer Series: Prayer Outline**

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 **The Lord’s prayer is less formula and more an outline**

**1. Praise “Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name”**

* Acknowledge God as a loving Father. Prayer is about relationship.
* Are you in relationship with God? Prayer about it.
* Acknowledge God as holy, righteous, perfect and good - no matter what comes in life.
* Talk to God using the names of God given throughout the Bible.
* Spend time worshiping God.

**2. Purpose “your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven”**

* Acknowledge God as all powerful - thank God for his strength and control.
* Pray for God’s help to respond to God with obedience.
* Pray for God’s will to be done in every area of your life.
* Pray (by name) for your family, friends, church and church leadership, your nation, local leaders, political leaders, the nations, for the salvation of souls.

**3. Provision**

* **Practical needs – “Give us today our daily bread”**
* Thank God for meeting your daily needs.
* Ask God for provision in your life – make your requests to God.
* Do your best to pray according to God’s will.
* **Spiritual needs – “And forgive us our sins”**
* Seek your heart for areas of sin in your life. Allow the Holy Spirit to convict you.
* Ask God for His grace and forgiveness through in those areas.
* Thank Jesus for the cross that paid for our debt of sin.
* **Relational needs – “as we also have forgiven our debtors”**
* Seek your heart for any forgiveness you might have towards others in your life.
* Ask God for His strength to forgive them. Choose to Forgive.

**4. Protection “lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one”**

* Pray through Ephesians 6:10-18
* Pray for strength to stay pure and do right before God and men.
* Acknowledge the power of God over the enemy of our lives (Satan).
* Pray for protection in your life and family through the power of God!

**5. Praise “For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever”**

* Acknowledge the supremacy of God, our dependency on God, and the power of God.
* Thank God for his power and ability to do all things.
* Thank God for answering our prayer for our good and his will.
* Finish with thankfulness and praise.

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