H Using the Lord's *Prayer*



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Our Father

- Take some time to remember who God is
- Remember in particular your relationship to him as Father
- Come as you are, just sit and enjoy His presence
- Glory in His love, and in your adoption in Christ
- Remember how much He desires you to know Him
- Remember His promise in Christ to always work for your good (Romans 8:28, Jeremiah 32:40)

Who is in the heavens

Dwell on God's sovereignty
He dwells in ALL the heavens and sustains all things by His powerful word (Hebrew 1:3)

- In Him we live and move and have our being (Acts 17:28)

- He sees and knows all

- Recall to mind God's mighty works in the Scriptures

- Remember all that God has done so far to bring you here today

Hallowed be your name

- Aim to say "hallowed be your name" even once from the depth of your heart this morning
- Simply tell God how awesome He is! Use worship music if that helps

- Thank Him for all He has given you and all He's done for you

Your kingdom come

- Declare in your heart that Jesus is Lord

- Remind yourself what God desires and what His rule looks like (1 Cor 13, James 3:13-18, Galatians 5:16-26, Matthew 5:1-12) - Go through each part of your life and re-surrender it to God's rule, even if it's 'going well' in that part of your life (eg. Work, family, friendships, sexuality, time, possessions, ministry, health)

- Ask God specifically what He wants to do in your life today
- Also pray for God's kingdom in the world and church

Your will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven

Bring all your current decisions before God today
If you need guidance for decisions, ask that God makes his will known

- Ask God to help you identify where you've been resisting His will

Give us this day our daily bread

- Having already re-submitted to God and prayed for His Kingdom to come, ask Him for all that you think you will need to be able to live for him today: personally, emotionally and spiritually (eg. ask for the Holy Spirit, ask for encouragement, ask for wisdom, ask for faith, ask to see him at work, ask for joy, etc.)

Practically and materially - Do you need money, food, safety, healing, guidance, etc.?
Pray for others and wider situations

And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors

- Bring yesterday (and this morning) before God, asking His Spirit to highlight things to confess

- Bring all of these things to the cross

- Sense in your spirit if you are angry, hurt, frustrated or judgmental of anyone at the moment

- Identify why and choose to forgive

- Pray for blessing on that person today

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil

- Bring before God your most common character flaws and strongholds

- Identify where you may be specifically challenged today and ask for help

- Generally ask for the protection of the Holy Spirit and God's angels for the day

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.

End with praise and thanks
Ask for the indwelling of the Holy
Spirit to live to His Glory today