



The Time is Now - Week 3: So that you may pray.
1 Peter 4:7, Matthew 6:9-13

The End of All Things...

*The end of all things is near. Therefore be alert and of sober mind **so that you may pray**. Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen. (1 Peter 4:7-11 NIV)*

Our prayer life reflects real life:

In everyone's life there are the _____ things and the _____ things.

Matthew 6:9:13 NIV:

"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. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.'

A Two Part Prayer:

- Hallowed be your name,
- Your kingdom come,
- Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

1. It's an invocation of the _____
2. It's asking God to transcend the barrier from Heaven to Earth to _____

- Give us this day our daily bread
- Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors
- Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Half of it is focused on God's _____.

Half of it is focused on our _____.



Two Realities:

Genesis 1:26-27 NIV:

Then God said, "Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."

*So God created mankind in his own image,
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.*

Jesus weaves _____ into our _____ lives.

Who are we praying to?

- Sometime we address our prayers to the _____ - Jesus Christ.
- Other times we pray to the _____, inviting His presence.
- Jesus instructs us to also direct our prayers to our _____.

"The right kind of prayer comes to God as a Father in heaven. It rightly recognizes whom we pray to, coming with a privileged title that demonstrates a privileged relationship. It was very unusual for the Jews of that day to call God "Father" because it was considered too intimate. It is true that God is the mighty sovereign of the universe who created, governs, and will judge all things – but He is also to us a Father." - David Guzik, The Enduring Word Commentary.

Application

1. God, your Heavenly Father is deeply concerned with your with your _____, _____ needs.
2. God has created you to _____ His name, to be a part of building His _____, and to be instrumental in seeing His _____ done on Earth.

The Lord's prayer is a _____ to run to our father with every earthly problem, and to glorify His name.