The Holiness of God

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Today's Scripture: Matthew 6:9-13

Now it came to pass, as He was praying in a certain place, when He ceased, that one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples."

In this manner, therefore, pray:

Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name.

¹⁰ Your kingdom come.

Your will be done

On earth as it is in heaven.

¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread.

¹² And forgive us our debts,

As we forgive our debtors.

¹³ And do not lead us into temptation,

But deliver us from the evil one.

For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN WHEN YOU PRAY "HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME?"

- At its essence, Hallow means "to set apart"
- Spiritually, it means "to declare holy"
- When the disciples asked Jesus to teach them to pray, He began by pointing to the holiness of God

"HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME" REMINDS YOU TO PUT THE LORD WHERE HE BELONGS

- Christ calls you to address the Lord with reverence and respect Even though you know Him personally, you are not invited to address Him casually
- Nothing can enrich your spiritual life more than learning the value of reverence for God

- "Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10a
- "I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth!" Psalm 46:10b
- Stop. Remember who He is. Listen. Let Him do His work in your life.

"HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME" REMINDS YOU TO PUT YOURSELF WHERE YOU BELONG

- Prayer is not about demanding, appealing or negotiating with the Lord It is about surrendering
- "I beseech you therefore brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God." Romans 12:1
- To make His name holy, you have to place yourself under His Lordship
- "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening." I Samuel 3:9

ONE OF THE GREATEST MEANS WE ARE GIVEN TO HALLOW THE NAME OF THE LORD IS WORSHIP

- Worship involves lifting Him up
- Worship involves bringing Him honor
- Worship involves personal surrender
- God is at work when His people worship
- Worship is one of the primary ways we remind one another that God is holy