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GOD'S DESIGN FOR FAMILY

As for me
and my
house,
we will serve
the Lord.

Joshua 24:15



Joshua said, "If it is disagreeable in your sight to serve the Lord, **choose for yourselves today whom you will serve:** whether the gods which your fathers served which were beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; **but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.**"

Joshua 24:15

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THE
family
THAT PRAYS TOGETHER
STAYS *together*

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Matthew 5

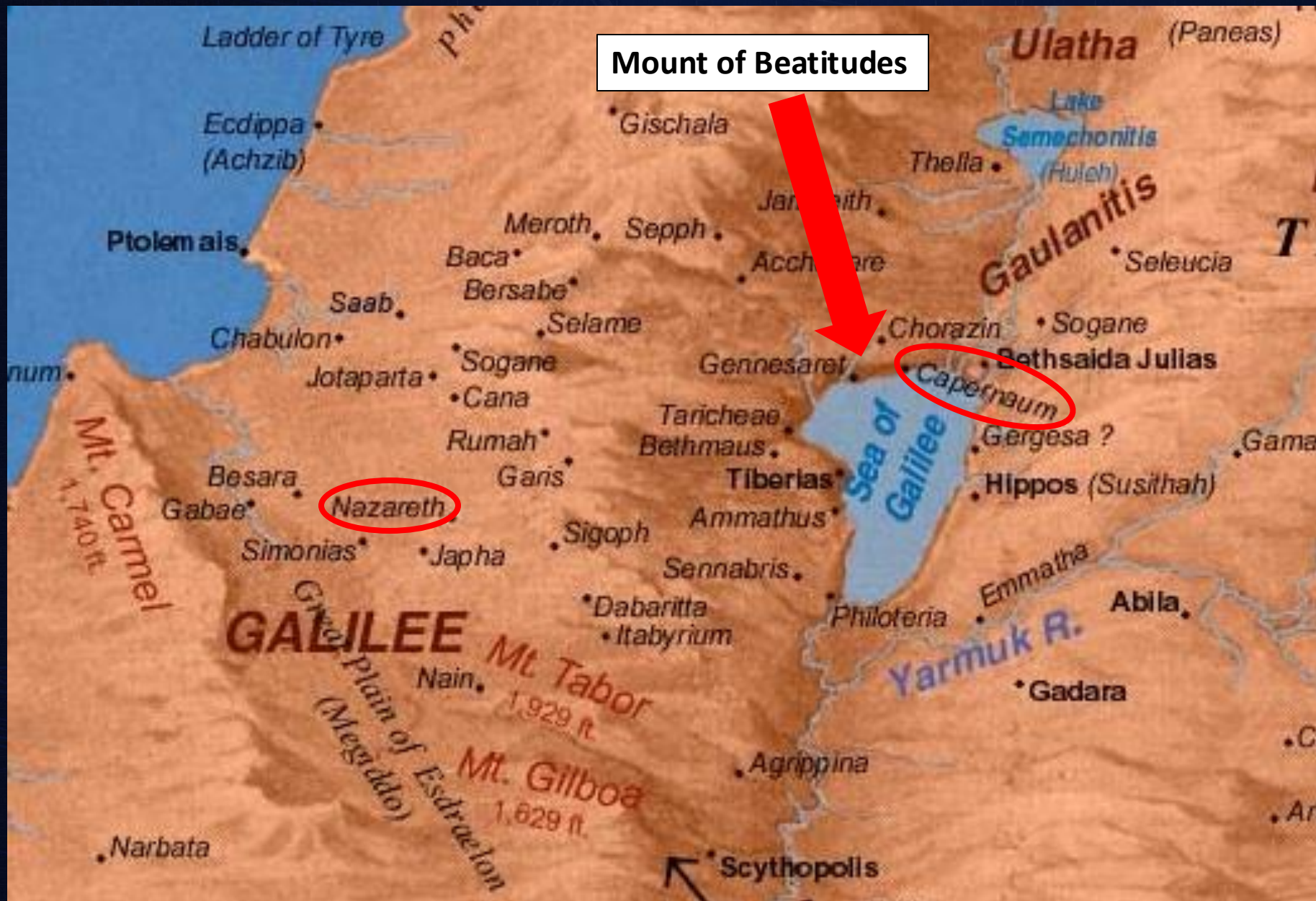
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When Jesus saw the crowds, He went up on the mountain; and after He sat down, His disciples came to Him. He opened His mouth and began to teach them,

Matthew 5:1-2

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The Land of Israel in the days of Jesus – Galilee region



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Matthew 6

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Jesus said, “When you pray (προσεύχομαι *proseuchomai*), you are not to be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and on the street corners so that they may be seen by men. Truly I say to you, they have their reward in full.” Matthew 6:5

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Jesus said, “But you, when you pray, go into your inner room, close your door and pray to your Father who is in secret, and your Father who sees what is done in secret will reward you.” Matthew 6:6

Jesus said, “And when you are praying, do not use meaningless repetition as the Gentiles do, for they suppose that they will be heard for their many words. So do not be like them; for your Father knows what you need before you ask Him.” Matthew 6:7-8

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Lord's (Model) Prayer

“Pray, then, in this way: ‘Our Father who is in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.’”

Matthew 6:9-13

* The original prayer was taught in Aramaic, but has been translated into Hebrew, English and other languages.

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The Lord's Prayer – section by section study

Our Father (Greek Πάτερ Pater) who is in heaven,
hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your
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day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we
also have forgiven our debtors. And do not lead us
into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Yours is
the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.

Amen. Matthew 6:9-13

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“Our Father who is in heaven”

- Jesus Christ addressed God as "Father" in Matthew 11:25, 26; Mark 14:36; Luke 10:21; 22:42 ; 23:34, 46; John 12:26, 27, 28 ; 17:1, 5, 11, 24, 25.
- Jesus speaks of Him as peculiarly His Father. The expression "our Father" is never used by Jesus, except in the Lord's prayer when He is teaching the disciples how to pray. The phrase “Our Father” appears frequently in Jewish prayers.
- Prayer is to begin with worship. God is addressed as **Our Father in heaven**. Worship is the essence of all prayer.
- In Matthew 6:1-18 Jesus used the word “Father” 10 times! Only those who have true inner righteousness can address God in that way in worship. – Bible Knowledge Commentary
- This is an appellation by which God is never addressed in the Old Testament.
– Bengel’s Gnomen Commentary
- The words *Father* and *heaven* together demonstrate the loving closeness and awesome transcendence of God to His child. – Holman New Testament Commentary

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- God's name represents His character.
- **Hallowed** is Greek ἁγιασθήτω, from **hagiazom** ἁγιάζω, “to set apart or sanctify” or, as here, “to treat as holy.”
- Reverence is a second element of prayer, for God's **name** is to be **hallowed**, that is, revered, to be sanctified, to be kept holy, to not be profaned.
- We are to pray on behalf of the holiness of God's name.
- The request was for God's reputation to be revered by men. – T.W. Hunt
- Hallowed has to do with something or someone being different or set apart. We must come before God with an attitude of reverence for God's perfection (in contrast to our imperfection), His wisdom (in contrast to our foolishness), His power (in contrast to our impotence), and His love (in contrast to our selfishness). God's holiness is everything that sets Him apart from us and all the rest of His creation. Addressing such a being should never be done casually or flippantly.

Third of The 10 Commandments

“You shall not take the **name** of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not leave him unpunished who takes His **name** in vain.”

Exodus 20:7

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Hebrew Names of God

- El – Hebrew name for God (singular), means “strength, might, or power”
- El Shaddai – All Sufficient God (Genesis 17:1)
- El Elyon – God Most High (Genesis 14:20, Psalm 9:2)
- El Olam – Everlasting God (Genesis 21:22, Psalm 90:1-3)
- El Roi – The God who sees (Genesis 16:13)
- El Emet – God of truth (Psalm 31:5)
- El Tsaddik – The Righteous God (Isaiah 45:21)
- El Gibbor – Mighty God (Isaiah 9:6)
- El Hakkadosh – Holy God (Isaiah 5:16)
- El Channun – Gracious God (Jonah 4:2)
- Elohim – God, Judge, Creator (plural)

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Hebrew Names of God

- Immanuel – God with us (Isaiah 7:14)
- Yahweh - Lord, Master
- Adonai - Lord, Master
- Yahweh Nissi - The Lord My Banner, The Lord My Miracle
- Yahweh Raah - The Lord My Shepherd
- Yahweh Rapha - The Lord that Heals
- Yahweh Tsidkenu - The Lord our Righteousness
- Yahweh Mekoddishkem - The Lord who Sanctifies You
- Yahweh Shammah - The Lord Is There

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Hebrew Names of God

- El Qanna – The Jealous, Zealous God
- Yahweh Shalom - The Lord is Peace
- Yahweh Sabaoth - The Lord of Hosts
- Yahweh Bore – The Lord Creator
- El Deah - God of Knowledge
- El Chuwl - The God Who Gave You Birth
- Attiyq Yom - The Ancient of Days

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Names of God in the Greek of the New Testament

• Theos θεός	God	Acts 17:24; 1 Corinthians 8:4
• Megalosune' μεγαλωσύνη	Majestic One	Hebrews 1:3
• Despotes δεσπότης	Master	Jude 4
• Kurios κύριος	Lord, Ruler	Jude 4
• Didaskalos διδάσκαλος	Teacher	Matthew 23:8
• Pantokrator παντοκράτωρ	Almighty, All-Powerful God	Revelation 19:6
• Uios tu Theu υιός του θεός	Son of God	Matthew 4:6
• Pneuma πνεῦμα	Spirit	Mark 1:12
• Parakletos παράκλητος	Holy Spirit, Helper, Encourager	John 14:26
• Abba ἄββᾶ	Father, Daddy (Aramaic)	Mark 14:36, Romans 8:15; Galatians 4:6
• Alpha and Omega α καί Ω	Beginning & End (First & Last)	Revelation 1:8, 1:11, 21:6, 22:13
• Christos Χριστός	The Anointed One	Matthew 1:16, 16:16-20; Mark 8:29; Luke 2:11, 9:20; John 1:41, 4:42

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How can we, as sinners, sanctify God's Name?

Earlier in the sermon on the mount, Jesus taught...

“Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.”

Matthew 5:16

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The Lord's Prayer – section by section study

Our Father who is in heaven, hallowed be Your name. **Your kingdom (Greek βασιλεία basileia) come.** Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen. Matthew 6:9-13

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“Your kingdom come”

- The Kaddish prayer captures the sentiment with “May He cause His Kingdom to reign”, now and eternally.
- We should pray for God’s final kingdom (Greek βασιλεία *basileia*) to be established, beginning with the return of Jesus Christ.
- The desire for God’s kingdom is based on the assurance that God will fulfill all His covenant promises to His people. – Bible Knowledge Commentary
- We are to pray on behalf of the primacy of His sovereignty – T. W. Hunt
- This prayer is not only for the future coming of Christ (although this can be included), but it is also for the spreading of God’s kingdom around the world through his kingdom servants. Therefore, it is a prayer that we, his servants, would be faithfully obedient and effective in living his kingdom principles in our own lives and then spreading the kingdom through our actions and words. – Holman New Testament Commentary

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Our Father who is in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. **Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven (Greek οὐρανοῖς *ouranois*)**. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen. Matthew 6:9-13

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

- “Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.”
- Is God sovereign?
- Do we have free will?
- We should pray for the accomplishment of God’s will, not our own.
- Faithfulness begins on earth, continues in heaven.
- We are to pray on behalf of the accomplishment of His purposes on earth – T. W. Hunt
- This request assumes that God’s will is done in heaven, but not yet on earth (in the same full way). Sin and rebellion are absent in heaven, but hindrances are present on earth. This is another request for the spreading of God’s kingdom rule on earth, primarily through the church as the agent of the kingdom. Our prayers are to be continual reminders to ourselves to “get with” the kingdom program. – Holman New Testament Commentary

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

- What is God’s will?
His perfect plan.
- How is God’s will done on earth?
Through His people.
- What is our calling?
To do God’s will on earth.
- What should our prayer tonight be?
That we would want to do God’s will.

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David wrote, “I delight to do **Your will**, O my God; Your Law [Torah] is within my heart.” Psalm 40:8

And He [Jesus] withdrew from them about a stone's throw, and He knelt down and began to pray, saying, “Father, if You are willing, remove this cup from Me; **yet not My will, but Yours be done.**” Luke 22:41-42

* Praying this prayer is pleading with God to continue to be involved and accomplish His divine will on earth. It runs parallel with the idea that we must overcome our will to do His. — Nick Thompson

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What To Pray

“God, may Your will be done on earth”

1. Through me and through my family
2. Fully
3. Willingly

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“Give us this day our daily bread”

- Daily bread, or food, symbolizes all of our physical needs, sustenance.
- In whom do we trust?
- How much do we need?
- How often do I come to the Father for my spiritual food?
- Petition for personal needs such as daily food is also to be a part of prayer. “Daily” (Greek ἐπιούσιος *epiousion*, used only here in the New Testament) means “sufficient for today.” – Bible Knowledge Commentary
- Bread is a general term denoting nourishing and filling food. Thus the request is for food that is necessary to sustain life for the day. – T. W. Hunt

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“Give us this day our daily bread”

The sons of Israel ate the manna forty years, until they came to an inhabited land; they ate the manna until they came to the border of the land of Canaan. Exodus 16:35

The manna ceased on the day after they had eaten some of the produce of the land, so that the sons of Israel no longer had manna, but they ate some of the yield of the land of Canaan during that year. Joshua 5:12

*God gives me what I need when I need it.

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Later in the sermon on the mount, Jesus taught...

“For the Gentiles eagerly seek all these things; for your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. So do not worry about tomorrow; for tomorrow will care for itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.” Matthew 6:32-34

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Messiah Jesus understood the importance of the Bread

- Jesus was born in the village of Bethlehem בֵּית לֶחֶם , which in Hebrew means “house of bread.”
- Jesus said to them, “**I am the bread of life**; he who comes to Me will not hunger, and he who believes in Me will never thirst.” John 3:35
- Jesus then said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, it is not Moses who has given you the bread out of heaven, but it is My Father who gives you the true bread out of heaven. For the **bread of God** is that which comes down out of heaven, and gives life to the world.” John 6:32-33

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- “And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.”
- English word “debts” is from **Greek word opheilemata ὀφειλήματα** meaning moral or spiritual debts owed to God.
- Asking for forgiveness of sin requires one to confess that sin to God.
- “And be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you.” Ephesians 4:32
- Requests regarding spiritual needs, such as forgiveness, are included too. This implies that the petitioner has already forgiven those who had offended him. Sins (Luke 11:4), as moral debts, reveal one’s shortcomings before God. – Bible Knowledge Commentary

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Jesus said, “For if you forgive others for their transgressions, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive others, then your Father will not forgive your transgressions.”

Matthew 6:14-15

- Loved people love people
- Forgiven people forgive people

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- Prayer for the restoration of fellowship with God through forgiveness. In asking for forgiveness of sins a person expresses his faith that God will forgive him. Such a person then evidences his faith by forgiving others.
- Jesus' words in Matthew 6:14-15 explain His statement about forgiveness in verse 12. Though God's forgiveness of sin is not based on one's forgiving others, a Christian's forgiveness *is* based on realizing he has been forgiven. Personal fellowship with God is in view in these verses (not salvation from sin). One cannot walk in fellowship with God if he refuses to forgive others. – Bible Knowledge Commentary

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- “And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil.”
- English word “temptation” is from **Greek word *peirasmos* πειρασμος** meaning testing or proving (it is a morally neutral word).
- “Let no one say when he is tempted, “I am being tempted by God”; for God cannot be tempted by evil, and He Himself does not tempt anyone. But each one is tempted when he is carried away and enticed by his own lust.” James 1:13-14
- Believers recognize their spiritual weakness as they pray for deliverance from temptation to evil. - Bible Knowledge Commentary
- But why pray such a prayer since God does not want people to sin? The meaning is that Jesus’ followers are to pray that they be delivered from *situations* that would cause them to sin. His disciples, contrary to the Law experts (Luke 10:25-29), realized that they were easily drawn into sin. Therefore Jesus’ followers need to ask God for help to live righteous lives. - Bible Knowledge Commentary
- “The only way to overcome the flesh is to be constantly vigilant in prayer.” – T. W. Hunt
- The plural phrasing—“Give us ... forgive us ... lead us”—is characteristically Jewish, focusing on the group rather than the isolated individual. - JNTC

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- Prioritize prayer
- Recognize the power of prayer
- Spend lots of time in prayer
- Pray in faith
- Pray in humility
- Pray with expectations
- Pray biblically/doctrinally
- Pray scripture back to God
- Talk to God
- Listen to God

**Jesus teaches us
how to pray**

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Church THE family
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The Lord's Prayer – let's say it together

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