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Course Syllabus

I. Course Description

This is a study of the prayer that Jesus taught His disciples of all ages to pray found in Matthew 6. Emphasis is placed upon: the overall purpose of prayer, analysis of each petition for its deepest meaning, application for today.

II. Course Objectives

The objectives of this course are as follows:

- A. To analyze the Lord’s Prayer as Jesus instructed us;
- B. To explore its principles of power and understand them;
- C. To apply them to our own prayer lives as Christians;
- D. To appreciate more than ever our prayer possibilities in Christ.

III. Textbooks and Study Aids

- A. The Holy Bible—King James Version
- B. One other translation of the Bible chosen by the student
- C. The Syllabus/Study Guide
- D. The textbook: Murray, Andrew. *With Christ in the School of Prayer*. TEC Publications, 2014 (Reissue of a classic) Columbus, GA
- E. Optional—DVD’s of the course by the instructor:
www.RonCottleMinistries.com
(706)256-0100, extension 201

IV. Course Requirements

- A. Read the text in Matthew 6 several times.
- B. Study the course syllabus and texts recommended.
- C. It is suggested that you read in any of the books on the selected bibliography provided. Those books marked by an asterisk are preferred, however, any is acceptable.
- D. Complete the final examination as assigned.

V. Classroom Methodology

Lecture is used primarily based upon assigned readings of textbook and Scriptures. However, questions and answers are strongly recommended at any time during the sessions.

VI. Evaluation Procedure

Course evaluation is on the following basis:

Attendance at lectures

Final Examination

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The Course Calendar in Outline

Topic	Assignment
I. Course Orientation/Introduction	Read Matthew 6:1-15. Preview Syllabus, and Textbook.

** In some ways this is the most important meeting of the class. We must all be clear about our primary study tools, our major objectives and those who will take this wonderful journey into prayer with us.

- II. Our Father**
- III. Hallowed Be Thy Name**
- IV. Thy Kingdom Come**
- V. Thy Will Be Done**
- VI. Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread**
- VII. Forgive Us Our Debts**
- VIII. Lead Us Not into Temptation**
- IX. Course Conclusion
Preview Final Examination
Miscellaneous**

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

I. INTRODUCTION TO THE LORD'S PRAYER AS A WHOLE

- We will study the Prayer in Matthew 6:9-13
 - But look at its context in Luke 11:1-4 – “teach us to pray.”
- A. It contains _____ main parts with _____ petitions each following an invocation.
- It contains just _____ words in the KJV.
 - It can be repeated in less than a minute.
 - Yet in it there is all the strength and compassion of our Father in heaven (W. Phillip Keller).
- B. _____ is the subject of the first division.
1. The first three petitions are for:
 - The _____ of God's name;

- The _____ of God's kingdom;
- The _____ of God's will.

2. It is only when God is given His _____ place in our lives that we can truly turn to our own needs and desires.

3. Luther said: "Our greatest sins are committed on our _____."

- "The great sin in our praying is that we are too often _____ and _____."

- Matthew 6:2, 5, 16

Therefore when thou doest thine alms, do not sound a trumpet before thee, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward (6:2.)

And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward (6:5.)

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors (6:12).

- We are so busy thinking about _____ wants that we seldom consider what _____ wants.
- We are so concerned what about our _____ we often lose sight of His _____.

- We spend all our time talking to _____ that he never gets a chance to talk to us.
4. This is the great sin that The Lord's Prayer teaches us to _____.
- It starts by putting God – not us – at the _____ of things.
 - For it is only when the center is _____ that the circumference can get right.
5. So – the first three petitions teach us of:
- a. The _____ of God – “Hallowed be Thy name.”
 - b. The _____ of God – “Thy Kingdom come.”
 - c. The _____ of God – “Thy will be done.”

C. _____ is the subject of the second division.

1. It is the most astonishingly _____ prayer in the human language.
- “Give us this day our _____.”
 - “Forgive us our _____ as we forgive our debtors.”
 - Lead us not into _____, but deliver us from _____.
2. The first is a prayer for our _____.

The second is a prayer for our _____.

The third is a prayer for our _____ - _____.

- These three short sentences take _____ – past, present, and future – and lay it before God.
- _____ for the present;
_____ for the past; _____
for the future – All are laid before God!

3. But that's not all.

- When we pray for “Daily Bread” we think of God the _____, the Creator and Sustainer of men.
- When we pray for “forgiveness of our sins” we think of God the _____, the Savior and Redeemer of men.
- When we pray for “guidance for the future” we think of God the _____, the Guide and Deliverer of men.

<p>So, there we have it – three simple petitions which take the _____ of life, past, present, and future, and bring it to the _____ of God, Father, Son, and Spirit.</p>
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