

# Prayer

As we finish our series on prayer, we look once again to the model prayer – the Lord's Prayer.

Let's remind ourselves what we learned at the start of this series.

## **Matthew 6:5-15**

**5 'And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. 6 But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. 7 And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words. 8 Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.**

**9 'This, then, is how you should 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 today our daily bread.**

**12 And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. 13 And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from the evil one.”**

**14 For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. 15 But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.**

Do you like to talk on the phone, Skype, Zoom, text or WhatsApp?

Who do you like to talk to and what about?

How many of us get upset when there's no mobile or internet signal?

Talking with people is important to us! We make sure that we can call others whenever we want. We also make sure people can reach us wherever we are. So, if talking to people is easy and we do it all the time, why is it so hard to spend time talking to God?

Spend some time talking about this, some reasons may include being busy, not seeing Him all the time so we forget, we don't know how, we might question whether God is really listening, or we might think our problems are too small.

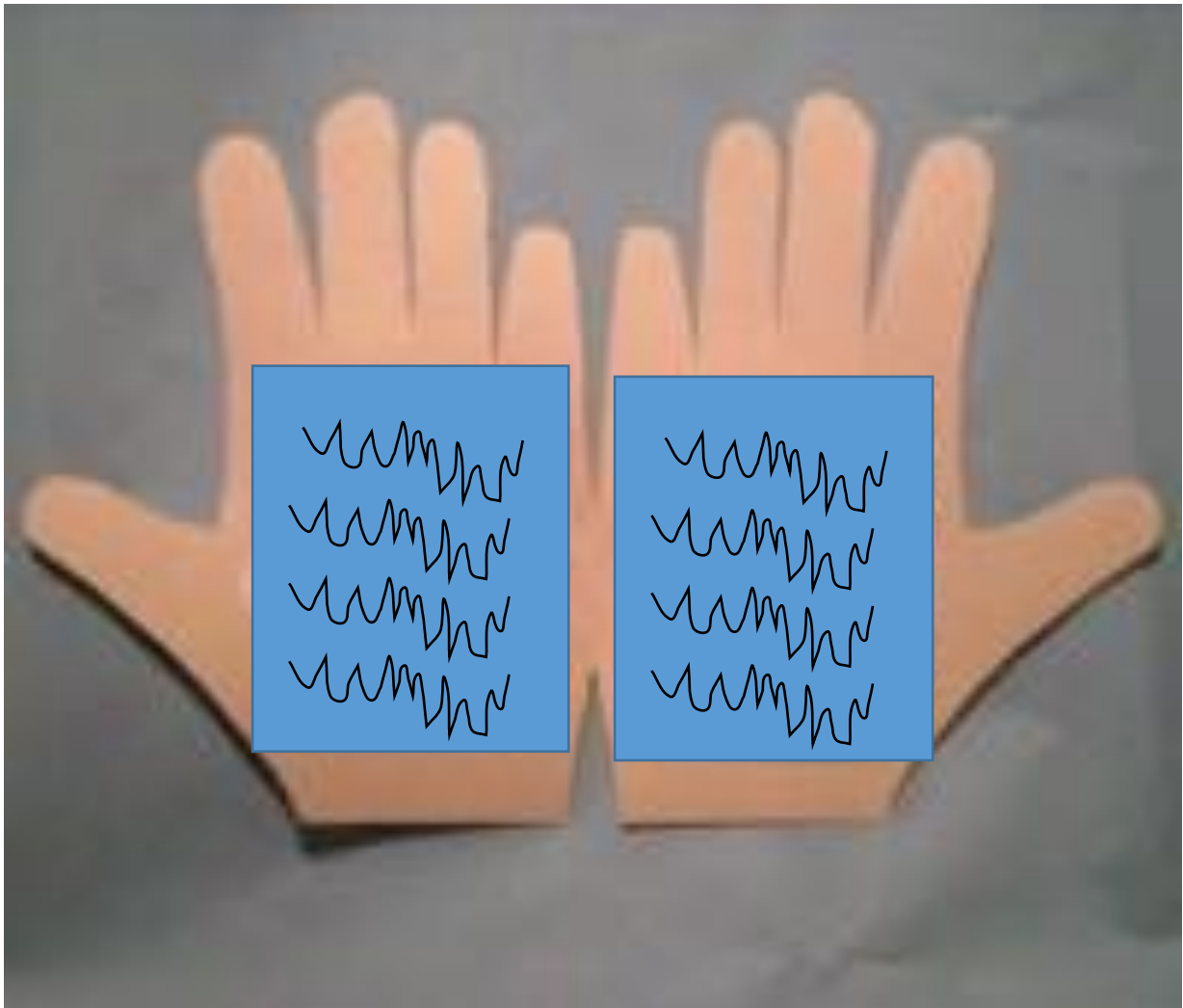
What is praying? It's talking to God, why is it important to talk with God?

1. God wants us to know Him.
2. God really does answer prayer.
3. God loves us through prayer.
4. We love God through prayer.

Remember that it's as simple as talking to someone you love.

**Activity:**

**The Lord's Prayer hands.** Each child needs to draw around one hand on a folded piece of paper. Cut out the hand making sure the fold isn't cut. Open up the hands to create two hands attached together. Stick the Lord's Prayer onto the hands; half of the prayer on each hand. If time allows talk about each line and what it means. Write on the fingers something to pray about from the Lord's Prayer. See Below.



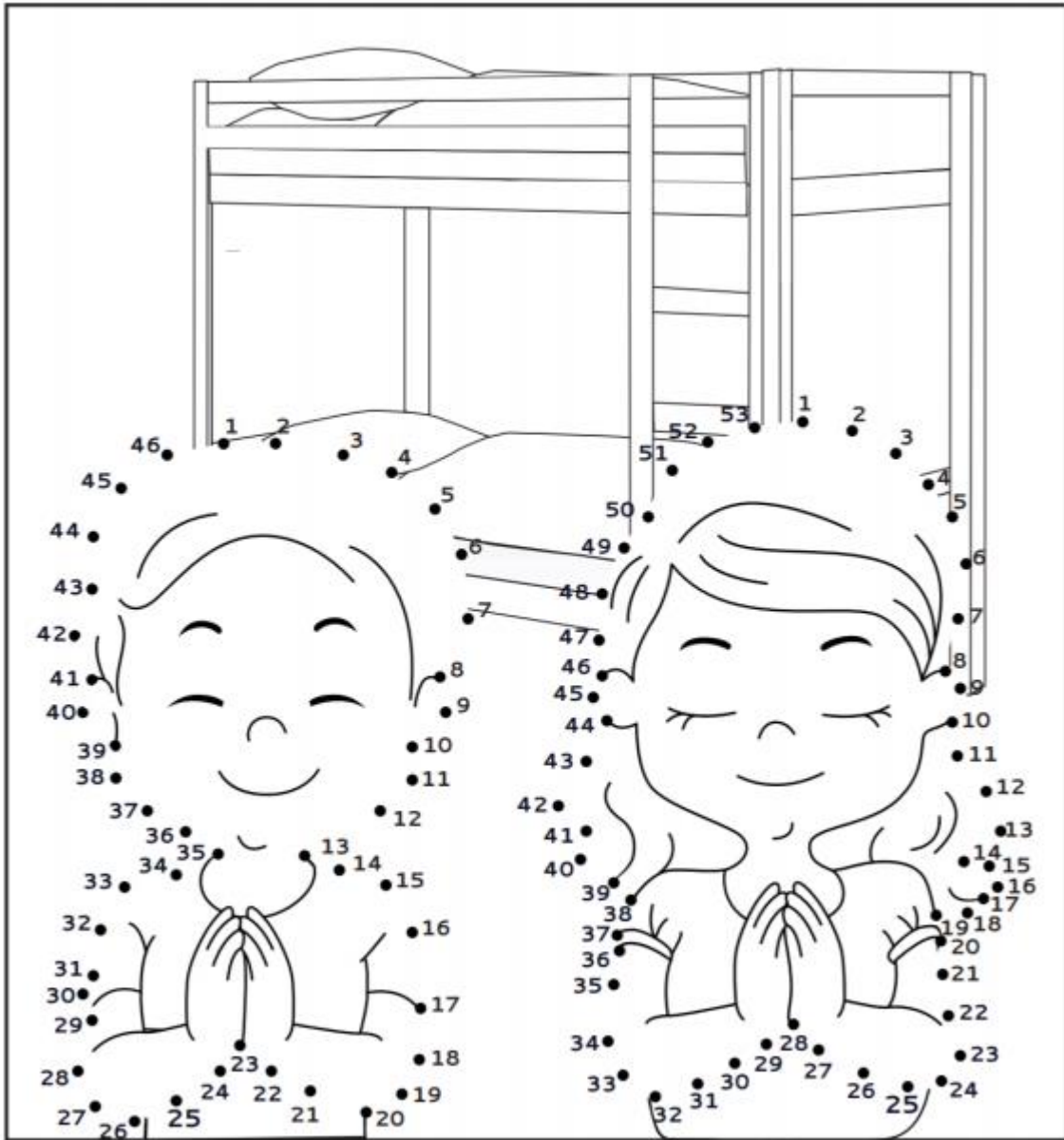


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**Lord's Prayer Mini Booklet.** In each sections box, draw a picture that relates to that line of the Lord's Prayer.

<p><b>Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,</b></p>	<p><b>Name:</b></p>
<p><b>your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.</b></p>	
<p><b>Give us today our daily bread.</b></p>	
<p><b>And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.</b></p>	<p><b>And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.</b></p>



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