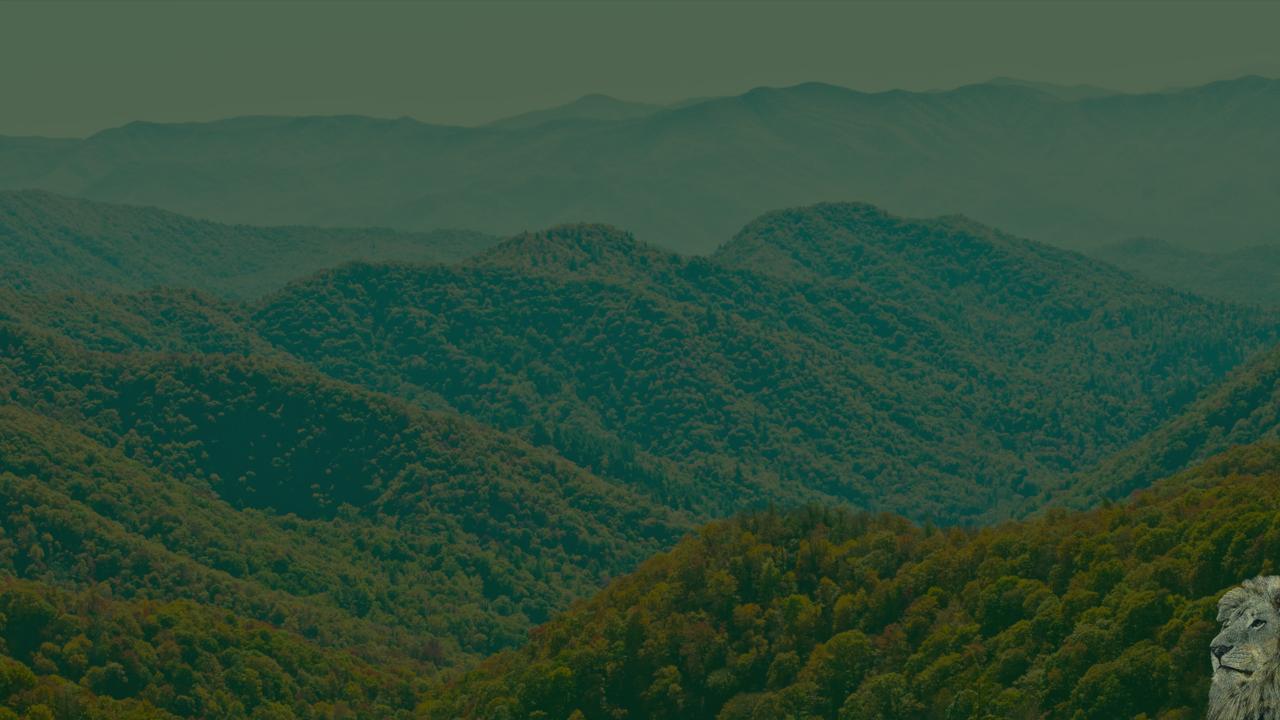
KINGDOM LIFE

OUTRAGEOUS HOPE FOR ORDINARY LIFE

"Thy Kingdom Come"
Sunday, May 5, 2019
Matthew 6:7-15

A WORSHIP SERIES THROUGH JESUS' SERMON ON THE MOUNT



Matthew 6:7-15

And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. ⁸ Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. ⁹ Pray then like this:

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 also have forgiven our debtors. ¹³ And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

¹⁴ For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, 15 but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

"And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases"

To Get Something From God

To Get Something From Others

To Get Something From Ourselves

"And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases"

What Prayer Is

Relational Conversation with God...
not just to get God to do something
but to open up our hearts to him, hear
from Him, get to know him and even
get to know ourselves.

It is an act of worship.

"And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases"

What Prayer Needs

"You must account yourself 'desolate' in this world, however great the prosperity of your lot may be." St. Augustine

"(Augustine) argues that no matter how great your earthly circumstances they cannot bring us the peace, happiness, and consolation that are found in Christ. The scales must fall from our eyes and we must see that—if we don't all our prayers will go wrong."

Tim Keller on Augustine's Prayers

Before prayer can be prayer, our heart's loves need to be re-ordered so that we "seek first the Kingdom of God"

I am Dependent

God is Powerful and Loving

"Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name."

Intimacy. Relationship. Honesty. Passion.

Immanent: right here, right now

"Our Father in heaven, **hallowed** be your name."

Reverences. Worship. Awe.

Transcendent: wholly beyond and above

Because he is our Loving Father, he loves us enough to give us the best things.

Because he is "hallowed" and wholly "other," He is wise enough to know and powerful enough to give us the best things.

¹⁰ Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Vs. "My Kingdom Come, My Will Be Done"

Your Will Be Done

Ask

"Give us this day our daily bread"

Dependence

Your Kingdom Come

Philippians 4:5b-7

The Lord is at hand; ⁶ do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Ask

"Give us this day our daily bread"

Dependence

Your Kingdom Come

Forgive

Confession ...our debts...

Forgiveness ...our debtors...

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Ask

"Give us this day our daily bread"

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Deliver

"Deliver us from evil"

The brokenness of this world, around and inside of me.

Your Will Be Done

Luke 4:18-19

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, ¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

Luke 22:42

"Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me.
Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done."

Hebrews 4:14-16 Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. ¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶ Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

A.C.T.S. Prayers

Adoration

Tell God how great He is.

Psalm 47:2
For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared, a great king over all the earth.

Confession

Repent generally and specifically.

Psalm 25:11
For your name's sake, O LORD, pardon my guilt, for it is great.

Thanksgiving

Thank God generally and specifically.

Psalm 107:1
Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!

Supplication

Ask God to supply our needs.

Psalm 30:2
O LORD my God, I
cried to you for
help, and you have
healed me.