

GOD OUR FATHER
Matthew 6:9-13

INTRODUCTION:

A. Today is Father’s Day, a day to honor all men – Fathers, Grandfathers, adopted Fathers, Step-Fathers, Foster Fathers, Spiritual Fathers, Father Figures, Uncles, Mentors, and Fathers to be. Today, I will share with you a few words about Our Heavenly Father.

God Our Father – Four-Pointed Facts:

- I. THE INTIMACY OF GOD (v. 9a)**
The privilege of relationship – “Our Father which art in heaven” (v. 9a)
- A. When praying, to address God as Father denotes a family relationship and shows three factors (Eph 3:14-15).**
 - B. God the Father is the Believers source of love, care, and provision even as an earthly father looks after his children (Luke 11:11-13).**
 - C. The Intimacy of Our Father (The Privilege of Relationship) – (Heb 4:16)**
- II. THE REVERENCE OF GOD’S NAME (v. 9b)**
The Priority of Respect - ...Hallowed be thy name” (v. 9b)
- A. God’s Name is to be Treated as Holy – For His name is holy, set apart, and different from all other names.**
 - B. The Believer is to Glorify God by His Life (1 Pet 1:15-16; Isa 42:8; 1 Cor 8:4)**
- III. THE KINGDOM OF GOD (v. 10)**
- A. “Thy Kingdom Come”**
 - B. “Thy Will Be Done”**
 - C. “In Earth as it is in Heaven”**
 - D. God: The Perfect Navigator**
- IV. THE PROVISION AND PROTECTION OF GOD (vv. 11-13)**
- A. “Give us this day our daily bread” (v.11; Phil 4:19)**
 - B. “And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors” (v.12; Eph 4:32; Col 3:13)**
 - C. The Cancelled Debt**
 - D. “And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen” (v. 13; James 1:13; Rom 8:31; 1 Cor 10:12-13).**

CONCLUSION:

- A. The Legacy of a Godly Father**
- B. For Those Who Had Good Earthly Fathers**
- C. For Those Who Had Absent or Difficult Earthly Fathers**
- D. The Invitation:**
- E. Romans Road (Rom 3:10, 23; 5:8; 10:9, 13)**

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“... the word of our God shall stand for ever” (Isa 40:8).