

Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread

Matthew 6:5-15

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I. We ask God to give us what we need for each day

- A. Translational difficulties – the gospel writers made up the word for “daily”
- B. We are confessing that God is the source of every good thing.
- C. We are *not* asking to become rich and famous. (Proverbs 30:7-9)

II. We do not worry about the essentials of life

- A. “Do not be anxious!” (Matthew 6:25)
- B. Why not? (Matthew 6:32)
- C. We focus on the kingdom of God, not on our daily needs. (Matthew 6:33)

III. We rest – and we give rest to others

- A. The Sabbath – now the Lord's Day – is a day of rest and worship
- B. The commandment to rest *and* tells us to extend that rest to others
- C. Keeping the Lord's Day takes planning
- D. Keeping the Lord's Day is an act of faith

IV. We tithe

- A. The call of God: put him *first* in your budget. (Malachi 3:8; Psalm 41:1; Galatians 6:6; 2 Corinthians 8:9, 13-14)
- B. To give your money away is an act of faith.

V. A good Lord

- A. We like to think of ourselves as free people.
- B. “You cannot serve both God and money. *Therefore* do not be anxious ... ”
- C. The bread of life (John 6:25-40)