

Closing Thought: God promises to provide for the physical needs of His people. When we pray, we should acknowledge His provision, and petition for enough provision for today. Not enough to make us “comfortable” or “independently wealthy”, rather enough that we can focus on His Kingdom’s work, His will be done on earth in and through us.

THE MODEL PRAYER;

(Part IV)

GIVE US.....

Matthew 6:11

I. Pray For God’s _____

"In some congregations the gospel has been diminished to the mere art of self-fulfillment, egocentricity is all that is left. And boy there is so much of that today in Christianity, where prayer is simply an ego centered, self-fulfilling, self indulging exercise to try to elicit from God what I demand. That's not right. All ... these petitions here, though directed at our essential needs are ways in which God's glory comes to earth, and makes itself manifest." – Elton Trueblood

"The prayer of a Christian is not an attempt to ... force God's hand, but it is a humble acknowledgment of helplessness and dependence." - J. I. Packer

John 14:13

Prayer should acknowledge God as *Jehovah Jireh* (____ ____ ____). It ought not to focus on ____ ____, rather on His _____.

II. Pray For Provision For Our _____ _____

A) Providing For _____ Is His Promise

Psalm 37:25-27

Luke 12:28-31

B) How God _____

James 2:15-16

1 John 3:17

Praying for provision of our physical needs is affirming God's _____ for His _____. It also lines our will up with His, that we be _____ of His provision to His people.

C) How _____ Provision To _____ For

Proverbs 30:8-9

Matthew 6:19-21

Matthew 6:25, 33

We should pray for _____ provision for _____, so that we can focus on His Kingdom _____ in and through us.

III. Pray To Acknowledge That God Is The _____ Of _____

Genesis 1:29

1 Corinthians 4:7, 8a

1 Chronicles 29:14

"If all is a gift from God, do you see the odious ingratitude of men who sin against their giver, God feeds them and they fight against Him, He gives them bread and they give Him affront. How unworthy is this? Should we not cry shame on him who had a friend always feeding him with money and yet he should betray and injure that friend. Thus ungratefully do sinners deal with God, they not only forget His mercies but they abuse them – Thomas Watson

Jeremiah 5:7

Deuteronomy 32:15

Our prayers should acknowledge that God is *Jehovah Jireh*, without whom, we would _____.