Study: The Divine Call Unto Righteousness

"Righteous Praying: The Model Prayer-The **Fatherhood** of God"

Matthew 6:9

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I. The **Creational** Fatherhood of God

Malachi 2:10a "Have we not all one father? hath not one God created us?..."

Acts 17:28-29a "For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring. ²⁹ Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God..."

Ephesians 3:14-15 "For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵ Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named,"

Matthew 7:22-23 "Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? $\frac{23}{2}$ And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity."

II. The Covenant-Relational Fatherhood of God

a. We Enjoy **Sonship**

1. We are **Adopted** into God's Family

Romans 8:15-17 "For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. 16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: 17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with *him*, that we may be also glorified together."

2. We are **Birthed** into God's Family

1 Peter 1:3-5 "Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath **begotten** us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, ⁵ Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time."

b. We Enjoy **Brotherhood**

Ephesians 1:4-5 "According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love: ⁵ Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,"

- III. The **Heavenly** Fatherhood of God
- IV. The **Application**
 - a. What is the **<u>Direction</u>** of Our Prayers?
 - b. What is the **Motive** of Our Prayers?