

# Our Father...

## #6 Forgive Us Our Debts

### The Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13 (KJV)

After this manner therefore pray ye:

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

### PICTURES OF PRAYER...

1. Children coming to their Father – “Our Father which art in heaven”
  2. Worshipers coming to their God – “Hallowed be Thy Name”
  3. Warriors coming to their King – “Thy kingdom come”
  4. Servants approaching their Master – “Thy will be done on earth...”
- When I come as a child to my Father I’m saying, “Provide for me”
- When I come as a worshiper to my God I’m saying, “Overwhelm me”
- When I come as a warrior to my King I’m saying, “Rule over me, and extend your reign through me”
- When I come as a servant to my Master I’m saying, “Use me to get your will done on the earth”

### FORGIVE US OUR DEBTS

#### 1. When We Pray “Forgive Us Our Debts“ We Acknowledge God’s Mind-Blowing Self-Sacrificing GENEROSITY Towards Us.

- a. God is Holy.
- b. Human sin becomes a debt owed to God.
- c. Everybody is indebted to God.
- d. The accumulated sin debt is massive.
- e. The debt must be repaid.
- f. God is very gracious.
- g. Forgiveness is costly.

**Colossians 2:13** And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with Him, having forgiven us all our trespasses,<sup>14</sup> by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.

#### 2. When We Pray “Forgive Us Our Debts“ We Are Acknowledging Our SINS To God In Humble CONFESSION.

**Proverbs 28:13** Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy.

**1 John 1:9** If we confess our sins He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

#### 3. When We Pray “Forgive Us Our Debts“ We Acknowledge That We May Be COMPLICIT In The Sins Of Our Community And Might Bear Some Responsibility For The CONSEQUENCES.

**2 Chronicles 7:14** If my people who are called by my name will humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and forgive their sin, and heal their land.

