

*Oakland Church of Christ
Sermon Series*

*The Lord's Prayer - A
Transformed Life Through
Prayer*

*Our Daily Bread
Matthew 6:11*



This Day - The Present

- **Matthew 6:31-34** - Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ 32 For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. 33 But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. 34 “Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.
- **Yesterday is the past, tomorrow is the future. But today is a gift. That is why it is called the PRESENT.**

God's Provision for All Creation

- **Genesis 1:29-31(a)** - And God said, “Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. 30 And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. 31 And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good.

Lord's Prayer – Our Daily Bread

- **Matthew 6:11** - Give us this day our daily bread

Prayers for Transformation

1. Reliance on the Lord
2. Gratitude vs Greed
3. Content with the Lord's Provisions
4. Sharing Your Blessings with Others

Reliance on the LORD

- **Matthew 6:11(a)** - Give us this day

PRAY FOR TRUST AND FAITH LIKE A CHILD

- **Luke 18:15-17** - Now they were bringing even infants to him that he might touch them. And when the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. 16 But Jesus called them to him, saying, “Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. 17 Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.”

LEARN FROM THE BIRDS – PRAY AWAY ANXIETY

- **Luke 12:22-24** - And he said to his disciples, “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. 23 For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. 24 Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds!
- **1 Kings 17:2-6** - And the word of the Lord came to him: 3 “Depart from here and turn eastward and hide yourself by the brook Cherith, which is east of the Jordan. 4 You shall drink from the brook, and I have commanded the ravens to feed you there.” 5 So he went and did according to the word of the Lord. He went and lived by the brook Cherith that is east of the Jordan. 6 And the ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning, and bread and meat in the evening, and he drank from the brook.

Gratitude vs Greed

- **1 Thessalonians 5:16-18** - Rejoice always, 17 pray without ceasing, 18 give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.
- **Proverbs 28:25** - A greedy man stirs up strife, but the one who trusts in the Lord will be enriched.
- **Ecclesiastes 5:10** - He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity.

PRAY FOR GRATITUDE OVER GREED

- **Luke 12:15-21** - And he said to them, “Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.” 16 And he told them a parable, saying, “The land of a rich man produced plentifully, 17 and he thought to himself, ‘What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?’ 18 And he said, ‘I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. 19 And I will say to my soul, ‘Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’” 20 But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ 21 So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God.”

Our Daily Bread

- **Matthew 6:11(b)** – our daily bread.

Content with the Lord's Provisions

- **1 Timothy 6:6-8** - But godliness with contentment is great gain, 7 for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. 8 But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content.
- **Hebrews 13:5** - Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you."

**THE ONLY THING HARDER
THAN WAITING ON GOD
IS WISHING YOU HAD.**



PRAY FOR FOCUS – EACH DAY’S BLESSINGS AND PROVISIONS

- **Exodus 16:4-5** - Then the Lord said to Moses, “Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in my law or not. 5 On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather daily.”
- **Exodus 16:18-21** - But when they measured it with an omer, whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack. Each of them gathered as much as he could eat. 19 And Moses said to them, “Let no one leave any of it over till the morning.” 20 But they did not listen to Moses. Some left part of it till the morning, and it bred worms and stank. And Moses was angry with them. 21 Morning by morning they gathered it, each as much as he could eat; but when the sun grew hot, it melted.

Sharing Your Blessings with Others

- **2 Corinthians 9:10-12** - He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹ You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God. ¹² For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God.

PRAY FOR OPPORTUNITIES

- **Galatians 6:9-10** - And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. 10 So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.
- **Hebrews 13:16** - Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.