




THE MODEL PRAYER

PART B
A CHALLENGE TO LIVE OUT THE
KINGDOM OF GOD IN OUR
DAILY LIVES



OBJECTIVES

At the end of the lesson, you should be able to:

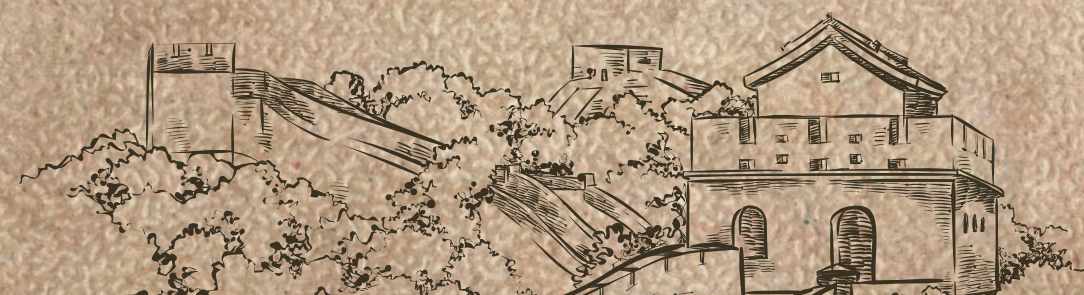
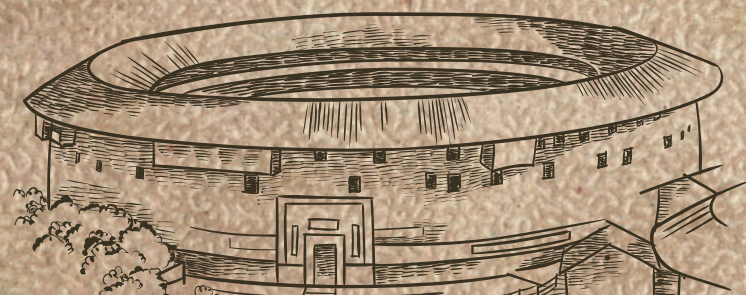
1. identify and comment on aspects of the nature of God revealed in the Model Prayer.
2. understand that our failure to comply with God's conditional agreement means He is not obligated to uphold His end of the agreement.

INTRODUCTION

The Model Prayer addresses some focal areas such as the Kingdom of God, Daily Provision, Forgiveness and Repentance, Guidance, Protection and Deliverance. Additionally, we see God as loving, sovereign (in will and order), holy, provider, redeemer, protector, deliverer and covenant giver. The Kingdom of God – God reigns over all from His place of sovereignty and splendor (in heaven). This has implications for our lives and the world. Humans, spirit beings and nature are subjected to His divine ruling and humans are reliant on Him.

DAILY PROVISION

Not simply a matter of dependency on God but a request to 'reset' our desires to align with the good virtues before the fall (trust, contentment, fellowship) and avoid vices (like greed, self-dealing and hoarding selfishly). Supply what is needed daily as opposed to endless wants of the flesh.





FORGIVENESS AND REPENTANCE

Impressing on us the significance of aligning our vertical and horizontal relationship with God and each other. Whereas the fulfilment of an unconditional promise rests solely with the Lord (Davidic Covenant), the fulfilment of a conditional promise depends on certain requirements being met. With the Mosaic Covenant, the Israelites should follow the law and be blessed, but if they did not, God would not be obligated to uphold His end of the agreement. In Matthew 6:12, Jesus introduces a conditional agreement in the Model Prayer and uses two additional verses – 14 and 15 to expound.

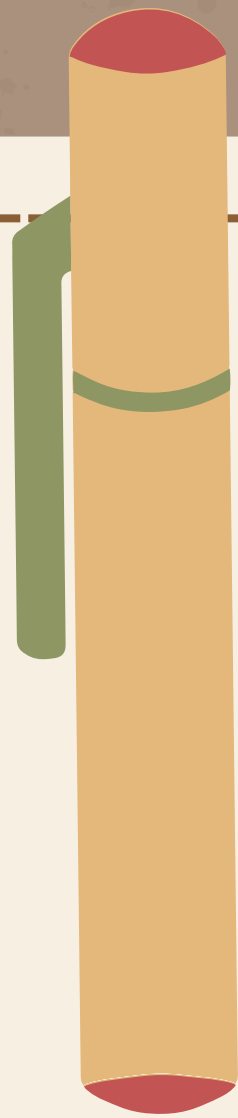
And forgive us our debts as we also have forgiven our debt For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

God refuses to give you what you withhold from others.

Guidance, Protection, Deliverance

Lead us not into temptation... Steer away from spiritual and literal situations that will cause us to be in conflict with Your will for us. Deliver us from evil... Should we choose to follow our flesh and not our spirit OR should Your will find it more profitable that we land in some dark/dangerous/evil places, protect our souls during our stint and take us through and out when/how You see fit.

Doxology: For Thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory... submit to your sovereign will, supreme virtues, guidance, method and timing for deliverance. I trust in Your sovereign authority, protection, ability to supply my daily need because You are the Maker and Manager of the Kingdom to which I am a citizen. The glory is Yours from generation to generation, natural and spiritual realms, timed earth, and timeless heaven.



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