

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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The Lord's Prayer can be defined as a shift from self-centered prayer to God-centered prayer. Back in the time of Jesus in Israel, there were many faith communities including John the Baptist, Pharisees, Essenes, Qumran and more.

Each community had its own mission statement. Obviously, they all principles and focal points of their ministries. In addition, they transformed their vision into a prayer for the community to pray together with one accord. The vision of our church ministry is introduced on the back of our church bulletin. It is also proclaimed in the sermons and through church ministries. Our church members take these visions to the Lord in their prayer. Likewise, many communities came up with their own prayers representing their visions and prayed for them. In Luke, we see the disciples asking Jesus for such prayer like how disciples of John the Baptist were praying, so they can pray for them, too. The Lord's Prayer is more than just teaching the disciples about the prayer. Jesus had many followers starting with disciples, women that served, and the crowd that stayed with Him. So, they were asking Jesus, "Lord, teach us Your principles and outlines." The core of Jesus' ministry is outlined in the Lord's Prayer. Therefore, once we understand the Lord's Prayer, we understand everything about the ministry of Jesus and the core/essence. Furthermore, our prayer will become powerful if we pray according to the Lord's Prayer.

There are two major principles we find in the Lord's Prayer. First, the prayer must shift from self-centeredness to God-centeredness. This means we have to move on from "the begging prayer." The begging prayer is only suitable for the new converts in the early part of Christian life. Once they build a right relationship with the Lord, they should stop the begging prayer. "If you don't answer my prayer, I am not going to eat." That's basically the begging prayer and that's not what we want. I fast, too. There are times when we can't do anything about the flesh which is basically blocking up the relationship with God. That's when we fast! The fasting is appropriate when we try to crumble a

“wall” that is preventing us to go deeper in our relationship with God. I can understand when saints fast, gather up and pray in one accord seeking for God’s help. However, most people fast and pray according to their will and objective when it is not the will of God. At first, God answers such prayers a couple of times. It is like dealing with children at home. Kids may say, “Mom and Dad, I want a bicycle. If you don’t buy it for me, I am not going to eat!” It works for a couple of times because parents feel bad when their kids starve. But when they do that so often I say, “Starve if you want!” It is the same with God. God may answer such begging prayers a couple of times, but after a while He won’t answer those prayers anymore. In short, the Lord’s Prayer teaches us to pray God-centered not self-centered. The prayer is initiated by God and should follow along according to His will.

In one word, the Lord’s Prayer is an imperial prayer. It is written, “This is how you should pray.” In the Greek it means, “You should pray this.” Jesus meant that we must pray like the Lord’s Prayer. We are to pray this imperial prayer in the same order as Jesus taught. This is how I pray every morning when I get up and I would like you to learn this. I begin with repentance. When I come to “Our Father who art in heaven,” God moves me to repent of the things that took place yesterday and of the things today, and cast out with regard to the things that are going to take place that day. That’s how we are supposed to pray. Thus, the imperial prayer should be prayed alike in the format and in the order. What is an imperial order? It is a command by king. Let’s suppose a king ordered this, “I appoint Pastor Hong as a bishop in Seoul.” However, the carrier of the imperial order reads it like this, “I appoint Pastor Hong to live in Seoul as a bishop.” It means the same but he didn’t read it correctly. The imperial order should be read exactly in the same order just like what king said. It is important what to emphasize more than others. “You should pray like this.” The imperial prayer must be prayed in the order, so that we pray according to God’s will. The prayer is God-centered not self-centered.

On one hand, as you know well, Hellenism is based on the self-centeredness. On the other hand, Hebraism is based on God-centeredness. It is the opposite. Hebraism is going forward in faith although one does not understand. This is God's way. What is the way of the world or Hellenism? One does not move at all without understanding or touching with his hands for certainty. However, the way of God is to go forward in faith and later God reveals the plan. Hallelujah! We should follow the Hebraism and never pray self-centered.

Because we pray God-centered, the deep understanding of God is critical. Who is Jesus? Who is God? What is He pleased with? What are the things that He hates? If God is in sorrow, I should be in sorrow, too. If He is joyful, I should be joyful, too. So, knowing God is the most important thing when it comes to the power of prayer. Let's look at the Battle of Ai. Israelites were joyful of capturing Jericho, but God was angry over them because of sin of Achan. Israelites had no idea God was so angry. They were carried away with the joy of victory that they could capture the city of Ai with only 3,000 soldiers. They did not know the will of God at the time. So, what is the result of the battle? They lost the battle to the people of Ai. We cannot pray when we do not know the will of God, what's on His heart, and Him. If we don't know Him, we will only lose the battles.

I will talk about this on 3rd day, but let's turn to chapter 20 of Book of Judges. Israelites have made a plan to go up against the tribe of Benjamin not paying any attention to the heart of God. They ask God, "Who of us shall go up first to fight the Benjamites?" God answers, "Judah shall go first." When they go up against the Benjamites in obedience to God, they get destroyed. God answered the prayer but they got destroyed. This probably happened to many of you. Why? The answer is the deception. If God had answered according to the desire of men in their spiritual condition, they would have become god themselves. Therefore, God destroys them, make them suffer to the point of

humility to know the will and intention of God. This is terrible story about a prayer. God continues to answer the prayer of Israelites, but the men of war continue to die. This is the response of deception.

Why does God deceive us? If God answers our prayer in our condition, we would be in big trouble because we are not focused on the will of God. This is a process to teach us through the suffering that we may understand the will of God; otherwise, we will be in big trouble. Many people that I have met say that they received an answer to their prayer from God. They think those answers were the will of God but they are wrong. We just saw in Judges 20 that it is a deception as much as the part of me that is not dead and as much as I haven't become one with God. People that know the spiritual world understand this. So if one hasn't perfectly become one with God in unity, he doesn't move a bit. This is particularly true of the men of prayer. They don't even pray, "God, please give me this." They don't even try. Why? Because they know they will be deceived. They know they will get in trouble. So, instead of jumping up and down for getting an answer from God, ask God if that is really His answer. I will tell you more about that later. In summary, we don't pray out of our self-centeredness but of God-centeredness.

Second, we don't see any "me," "I," "my," or "mine" in the Lord's Prayer. It is all about "you" and "our." We don't see the first person singular in the prayer. It is either second person or first person plural. What does this mean spiritually? Jesus is teaching us to cleave ourselves through the Lord's Prayer. This is very obvious. Why? Because it is impossible to shift from self-centeredness to God-centeredness unless we cleave our ego.

Bible says that the prayer is supposed to be answered 100%. Isn't that right? "Ask and you shall receive." When I say this some of you may use your logic and say, "How is that possible?" However, the answer to a prayer is supposed to be 100% according to the Bible. How is that possible? That's possible

because I don't pray with my ego to the Lord. I do not take any of my prayer requests to the Lord but rather I receive things to pray for from God because I don't have any request to begin with. That's how you get 100% answer from God. Why don't I take any prayer request to God? Because the plans, thoughts, and ways that I have are not the best. What Creator God has is the best of best. Amen. Unless my ego is cleaved and destroyed I cannot help but to pray self-centered. I must deny myself if I am to live God-centered.

About 400 years ago the humanity was uncivilized. We couldn't go far in the sea thinking that the earth was a square for 1500 years. We couldn't do much because of Aristotle's geocentricism which suggested that the earth was made square. So, anyone that goes off too far will fall off the edge and die. That was the common thought until about 400 years ago. Starting with Copernicus, Galileo and Newton have discovered heliocentric cosmology which indicated the sun was the center not the earth. Now, the humanity reaches to moon and even other planets like Mercury Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto. Am I right? Look, how important the revolution of thinking is. When humanity thought the solar system was moving around the earth, the humanity couldn't do anything and were uncivilized. However, when the notion of solar system moving around the sun was verified, this shift led to "super humanity." Amen! One's faith life based on self-centeredness can only lead to uncivilized/barbaric faith life. However, if your faith life is based on God-centeredness, then you can see the movement of earth. I will talk about this when I get to the power of prayer, but one can see the movement of earth. Shifting from self-centeredness to God-centeredness, on to have God's perspective, to listen with God's ears, and to see with God's eyes is the prayer. Amen. Things that you can't even fathom arise in the midst of prayer. You can't even imagine that. That's the reason we should shift from self-centered prayer to God-centered prayer. Hallelujah!

Amos 3:3 says, "Do two walk together unless they have agreed to

do so?” If two people want to walk together, they must have agreed to do that. If one wants to walk with God, he must agree to the will of God. Can their will be different and walk together? No. If God and I have disagreement, whose fault is this? It is always my fault.

Many people would agree with me on that, but when I listen to their prayers, they insist that it is God’s fault in their prayers. I used to serve in a mega church for 10 months. In the morning prayer time, I listened to the prayers of many and I realize how pitiful God was. God was rebuked so much in their prayers. My God was so miserable. Some beat on the ground and shouted, “Lord, I gave tithe. Why did our business go bankrupt?” I don’t know how much tithe he gave, but God seemed so miserable to me. Others said, “Lord, I prayed for so long why did my kid fail to go to University?” God must be so miserable with these people poking Him so much with their prayers. Our Father gets rebuked so much. If I were God, I wouldn’t be able to handle it. Even in Zoe Ministry Network I get stabbed in the back and get enough bad name, but God that gives everything to everybody gets bad name everyday so much more. How can this be? Because God takes all of these, I can’t help but to suppress my emotion. So, if two people have disagreement, whose fault is this again? We have to acknowledge that we are at fault. Please don’t poke God. He may come down with hemorrhoid. Amen? If there is a problem, with who does the problem lies? It is always me.

In Amos 3:7, “Surely the Sovereign Lord does nothing without revealing His plan to His servants the prophets.” The “plan” in Hebrew is “sod.” It means the secret room of Jehovah. The one who has agreed to walk with God shares the same will of God. He can now enter into the secret room of God which is His bedroom. When Shulammite woman enters King Solomon’s bedroom, Solomon heeds everything she says to him. Even if I have a strong will, when my wife nudges on my side with her elbow in the bed, I must respond to her. “Honey, I’ve got it. Whatever you say!” Do you know what I mean? If a pastor’s wife

that cannot melt her husband down has much problem. All she has to do is nudge her husband's side with her elbow. He will say, "OK. OK. I will do it for you." When two people have the same agreement and enter the secret room of God, just nudge His side with elbow. God will say, "OK. I've got it." Isn't that true? God says, "Because I call my servant Abraham friend, shall I keep anything secret from him who is my friend?" Since one doesn't keep any secret from a friend, he doesn't have any secret to keep from his wife. Isn't that right? Of the pastors' wives here if you have a secret bank account that your husband does not know about, you have much problem. How come I hear no amen? A couple must not have any secret! Right? Even friends don't keep secret and a bride of Jehovah shouldn't have it either. If one, like the bride, has agreement to such degree, then he/she is completely walking with God. Therefore, it is so vital to lay down my will, to agree with God's will and to pray according to His will. Today's Lord's Prayer is teaching us how to pray God-centered. Hallelujah!

Let's move on and take a look at the first prayer. "Our Father which art in heaven" is the first line of prayer we want to look at. Let's take a look at "Father." The answer to a prayer in the first round is determined over this "Father." Let's suppose that I am walking down the street and a child comes up to me and says, "Excuse me, give me \$10,000!" How would I respond? I wouldn't beat him up but I would think that he is crazy and walk away. However, let's suppose I am really rich and my son comes up to me and says, "Dad, I would like to start up a business. Can you invest \$50 million in my company?" Would I grant the request and make an investment? Yes, if it is a legitimate business. Let's take a look at CEOs in Korean companies. Their children inherit all the wealth. Isn't that right? Because my son requests it, I respond to him and grant it. Right? Amen. Once you affirm God as your Father, the answer to your prayer is already granted. If your relationship with God as son and father is established, then your prayer request is approved. In front of the Blue House in Seoul there are guards. This guy walks right into the entrance without

showing ID and no one asked any question. He passes through the check point into the main building and also through the secret service agents and the secretaries all the way through and finally reaches the Oval Office. Who is this guy? He is the son of the President! What if Pastor Park tries to go to the Oval Office? He will be stopped by the guards way before he gets to the Blue House. He can't go in. This is an important principle.

The confirmation of God as your Father is everything in the 1st round of answer to your prayer. Many of you gathered here have a problem that God is not your Father but a neighbor. Your relationship with God is as remote as your neighbor. If the relationship is little better, it is like a relationship with uncle. Uncle God!! This is the problem. God must be our Father. Is there a secret to confirm God as Father? Let me ask you a question. Where is the confirmation of the Father? Is God first? Or is Father first? I mean is He the God to you first? Or is He the Father to you first? Is this question too difficult for you? Look, let's suppose that a billionaire is living right next to my house. Does that have anything to do with me? Yes, only when he barbecues in the backyard and I can only smell it. That's our relationship. If the Almighty God is not my Father, it does not matter to me whether He is the Almighty or not. Isn't that true? God must be a Father to me first! A story goes like this. There was this beggar and grew up as an orphan. To make a long story short, he met his father later on. He found out that his father was a billionaire. I met my Father and He is the Almighty God. If God is not confirmed as my Father, what He possesses does not mean anything to me. For many of you He is only your uncle. That is the problem!

Today, the issue is how we can have confirmation that God is our Father. This is important in the Lord's Prayer. I will talk about repentance later on, but this repentance comes out of the confirmation of the Father. The confirmation of the Father is like this. Here is my son Choongman. Would he ask me to prove that I am his father? "Show me the picture of when I was born! Show me my birth certificate and prove that you are my Father!" Would

he say that or not? No, he wouldn't say that even though he did not see himself when he was born nor did he see me raising him up when he was a baby; however, he doesn't doubt that I am his father. Hallelujah! Because I am a father to him he makes a demand from me. Doesn't he? Will he doubt that I am his father? If he does, he will be in big trouble tonight. Pastor Hong, does your son doubt that you are his father? That's right he doesn't. If he does, you ought to discipline him. He will never doubt. Now, how come my son does not doubt that I am his father? Why not? Because I am his father and he lives with me. In his mind he never doubted me. He always has lived with a confirmation, in his mind, that I am his father. Amen?

Your spiritual condition is similar to that. There is some difference. I have spoken over that when I preached on Colossians that the spirit is full oblivion. Look, if God forgives your sin, will He remember your sin or not? He will not remember it at all. (I am sorry to say to say this, God.) From that perspective God is dumb. God is dumb because He is Spirit. Because God is Spirit He is very oblivious. If you are living by your spirit, you forget your good deeds, wounds from other people, and etc immediately. Even Paul gave things of the past to the Lord and only moved forward. Because you live by your reason and rationality, you do not ever forget when someone hurts you and you in turn mark him as your enemy. Also when you do a good deed, you dwell on that for a whole year. Right? That's because you do not live by the spirit but by your reason and rationality.

The function of the spirit is full of oblivion that once my spirit accepts one thing as the lord, and then its acceptance of it increases rapidly. For example, your spirit is drunk with money. Yet, you still say that the money is not your lord, but the instinct of your spirit acknowledges the money as your lord. In Philippians 1:21, "For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain." What does this mean? It means that I (Paul) am always walking with God. Because to live is Christ, He is my Lord. If to live is for money, who is the lord of your life? The money is. You are bound by it. If

to live is for the relationship with others, who is your lord? The relationship with other people is, so you are bound by it. If to live is for yourself, your glory, and your ego, then they become your lord. If to live is for the world, then the worldly spirits become your lord. That's how sensitive the spirit is. I used to live in a house with a yard. If I don't pull out the weed, the front yard turns into "weed yard." Like this yard, unless you stand in the direction of God and face Him all the time, your spirit will not hesitate to accept what is given to it. This is very important!

The work of repentance is the same! Why don't we experience a genuine repentance? When our spiritual condition is in the darkness, it is insignificant for a black to become more black. Only the people that live by light feel the pain when they even turn slightly dark. It is the same! Facing God and confirming the Father is one of the most important things for my spirit to do. You can't confirm God as your Father when the money is your lord, the world is your lord, or the relationship is your lord. When my child does something wrong, I decide to discipline him. Immediately afterward, I hug him and say, "It is ok now, but don't you do that again!" Then, does my child confirm my forgiveness immediately, an hour later, or the day after tomorrow? Well, my kids immediately smile and say, "Dad." Why do they do that? Because they have no doubt that once I forgive them, even though I discipline them harshly, I really have forgiven them, so they accept my forgiveness.

Why do you drag the guilt around after your repentance? That's because you don't have the confirmation of God as your Father. So you can't accept His forgiveness. Accept everything of God if you confirm God as your life in you. Accept your righteousness and everything else after His forgiveness of your sins. The most important criteria to go into deep spirituality is to accept the things that God gives to us. When you accept the fact "God made me righteous," you have the confirmation. How come you can't accept it? Let me illustrate this. Here is a sister in Christ. Ever since she was born she had ten nannies. All ten nannies stood

around her crib with the baby bottle and said, "I am your mom! I am your mom!" By the time she reaches age 10, the identity confusion leads to insanity. Why? Because everyone says that she is her mom. No one knows who the real mom is. Ever since we confirmed God as our Father we should have lived solely with Him, but we lived with someone else here and there and so forth. Just about everyone is mom or dad. Therefore, we are confused whether it is the voice of Holy Spirit, the voice of devil or my own voice. Why are we confused? Because we haven't been exclusively living with God. If we live exclusively with God, we can hear His voice and know that for sure just like my kids recognize my voice even if I am thousand miles away. Amen? Now, do you see how important this confirmation of Father is?

How do we do this? The confirmation of Father is to just live with Him and is to always face Him. If you live with the world, money or relationships, you cannot confirm God as your Father even though you may confirm Him in your head thousand times. Go ahead and try and call God as your Father for this four days of conference and see if that works. It doesn't work! As long as you do not stand in God's direction and face Him, God will not be confirmed as your Father. Consequently, nothing will be accepted on your part. God's forgiveness is not accepted and you reject everything else that God offers freely.

If God says that He gave something to us, we completely believe Him and trust Him under any circumstance. We believe Him because we put our lives on the word of God. How do I do that? Ever since I met the Father God, I have not turned my attention from Him at all. So I know immediately if it is the voice of God or not. If he doesn't speak and I hear a voice, then I know that's the voice of the devil. If I am full of my own ego and the thought comes up to me, although it is not audible, I know it is from me not from God. "Our Father" is where the prayer is settled.

Strictly speaking, a prayer is not to babble or chatter when it is offered up to God. Well, if you say it is a prayer, I should agree

with you; however, strictly speaking, a prayer is the core of faith life. The core! When rabbis pray to God, they wail and cry for two hours to utter a single word, "God, Adonai!" They also cry for two hours to say, "God, I love You." That single word of their prayer moves the Almighty God. So does yours! Prayer is truly offered up to God when your spirit is perfectly united with God as one. Furthermore, prayer is not to take up my requests to God but to receive them from Him and to come down to earth with them. I spoke about the Israelites' holy sacrifice. When God accepts the pure sacrifice of Israelites, where does the fire come from? I remind you that there is no lighter in the Tabernacle. The fire comes from heaven. It is written that the smoke of the sacrifice, when it is lit from the fire from heaven, goes straight up even in a strong wind. When your spirit is facing solely God, your prayer to God is untouchable regardless of Satan's determent. The fragrance of your prayer goes straight up to heaven. Each and every moment of your life that confirms God as your Father becomes foundation for the power of your prayer.

You can try all you want with the money, the world, and the relationships, but just know that your prayer is not going anywhere. Many of you may say, "Our Father" out of your mouth, but you are really saying, "Our Neighbor" when I interpret your prayer. If you are faithful a little, you call God, "Our Uncle." I don't mean to be funny. It is tragic. It is true when I interpret them. If God is the Father, to whom does His richness belong to? It belongs to His heir. You are the heir! Therefore, saints do not suffer because of lack of wisdom, resource or power. This is not a theory!

Those who have confirmed that God is their Father are not distressed due to lack of anything. There are some saints who are listening to my words as a theory, but the saints in our church know how their senior pastor (I) lives. Regardless of what I have or what I don't have, I am not distressed due to lack of anything. I have peace when I have some! I have peace though I am in need! Even if I am not in need, I am not depraved; even if I am in

great need, I am not depraved. I'm not boasting, but I'm saying so because I have been living that way.

Because I have lived that way, I don't understand or apprehend another way of life; yet I have not even seen another way of life either. Since I have been living with God for 18 years now, I have been in His abundance although there are times when I didn't have a single penny. When God was training me with regard to the money, my pregnant wife wanted to go and have some Chinese noodle, but I couldn't because I had no money. So, I told her, "Since we don't have enough money, let's just eat meats." How come? Even though I could not purchase something with money, our refrigerator was filled with meats thanks to the generosity of other people and God. How come I don't hear amen? Are you envious because we are well off? It is funny, isn't it? Even though I could not treat my wife with Chinese noodle which is supposed to be the cheapest meal out there in Korea, I'd say, "Honey, since we don't have enough money, let's just eat meats". It is funny, isn't it? Well, it is a true story though. Let me tell you another story. Whenever my mother-in-law would get some rice, she used to say, "My son-in-law shall come soon" even though she was attending another church. If something good happens, it is always someone else that gets the blessing. Here is another funny story. When the elder Cho was about to be installed in the office of an elder, he repented of his deeds in the past. He is a pharmacist, as you know, pharmacists receive a rebate traditionally from pharmaceutical companies. However, he felt guilty of that so he tried to give it back to the person who had given it to him before because he wanted to repay him in several folds according to the Bible. He didn't want to receive it back because he was a Christian. Yet, elder Cho insisted that he accepts it back. It went back and forth. Then, to whom did that rebate belong? It belonged to the blessed. I showed up there. So, it was mine! It goes like that. All go that way because the world is run by the Big Man. Do you agree? God is our Father, and we live according to what He gives to us. Hallelujah!

This is the realization of a prayer. Although it is the realization of a prayer, we fail to live this kind of life. While I tell you about Colossian churches, I want to tell you that in my ministry I haven't worried about what I lack. God is the witness for this. The church is not mine but His, and it belongs to Him. He fills up our needs. I'm still waiting for the construction of our church building; I'm waiting for 300 million dollars. However, I clearly proclaim to God and before the congregation, "I won't go in debt even a penny." Is the church mine? It is God's. I make another proclamation, "I won't fast even a meal for the building project." I am not going to risk my life for the building project because it is not mine but God's. I don't even have enough energy to spread around on the souls. The abundance of God being our Father is confirmed within me all the time.

I am sharing some of my testimonies for the new comers. One of them is that someone had offered me \$40 billion to minister to him resulting in the healing, but I kicked the money away because God wasn't pleased with the money. How could I do this? Because God's generosity is bigger than that. That's right! People take the bait and accept the bribe because they don't see God's generosity and His richness. For those who live by God's generosity, the whole universe belongs to them. Look at David who praises God for giving him the heart to offer 102.3 tons of gold to Him in 1 Chronicles 29. This comes from the assurance that God is the Father and His generosity. Because we don't have that assurance, we kiss up to whoever gives a few bucks. The generosity of God's glory is here and we have no reason to kiss up to others.

How do we authenticate the Father? The only way to authenticate the Father is to confirm Him as the Father, walk with Him, and face Him. Let's please stop playing the God the Uncle. Those whose relationship with God is like uncle should repent genuinely. Relationship with uncle proves to be a big problem.

Now we look at "our Father who art in heaven." In the Greek, the

word for heaven is uranois. In Korean language it is translated as heaven but it means plural, heavens. Why did the author use the plural heavens? In order to answer that question, we have to first understand the solar system and the universe. Aristotle spoke of 3 layers of heaven in ancient times. The top heaven, the 3rd tier of heaven, is called paradise. The middle tier is called metauranos and the first and the bottom layer is called plain uranos. So how do we translate this? It means God is full in all universe. Is God confined to the earth? Or to the church building? Where is this God? He is everywhere in the whole universe. He is omnipresent! Hallelujah!

The word, heavens, has a significant meaning to us. Your power of prayer must confirm the power of omnipresent God. In another word, you need the confirmation of omnipresent God. Why? Because your prayer has the power to surpass the time and space. God is ubiquitous throughout the universe. Through the prayer that surpasses the time and space you confirm the movement of God's powerful hands. For example, I pray for Pastor Im who is a missionary in Cambodia. "The evil spirits and the spirits of hatred are working to influence Pastor Im. God, protect him and loosen him from those bindings. And help him to improve his relationship with other missionaries." For you whether he is loosened up or not is not that important. The fact that there was a prayer for him is important for you. Right? But that's not God's desire. If I prayed for him, God has immediately worked and loosened him from the binding of the evil spirits. This is the instancy/immediacy of prayer. We meet God in eternal omnipresence; therefore, our prayer is answered immediately in omnipresence of God.

Such prayers are incredible. If I prayed against the works of the evil spirits in Cambodia, then immediately the loosening of the bindings would take a place. This sister serving in Cambodia called the church and cried for some reason. When I heard that I felt sorry for her and I ministered on her behalf. Five minutes after I finished my ministry on her, she called and said, "Pastor, I am

doing well now” with a laughter. That took place because she was loosened from the spiritual binding. We all know why such things take place and it happens frequently. In the midst of my prayer for the members of the church, when I find out about their difficulties and pray for them, the difficulties would resolve. Amen! So when we say, “Our Father who art in heavens,” we are talking about God who is fully present all three heavens. Our Father is all over the heavens and He is the Creator God.

Our God has all the requisites of the Creator. Well, there is only one true God. But in study of religions, there are several types of god. First, there is transcendent god. This god transcends the universe. What are some examples of transcendent god? Allah is one. Allah transcends the universe. Theism which resulted in the corruption in England in 18th Century is another example. What is theism? God created this world, but when he finished the creation, he didn't intervene in the affairs of his creation and left it according to the laws of nature. What is the problem with transcendent god? When his arms are crossed over the chest and he sits back and watches the world go by, is there any of his influence in us? No, so he is not qualified to be the Creator. Allah is powerless to save people and that's the reason people try to die for salvation. People fly the planes into the buildings like in 9.11., and engage in war. Why do people do that? Because that's how they get saved. During the war between Iraq and Iran, Khomeini of Iran told the young men to step on the mines in mine fields. When your bodies blow up, you will be saved! 100,000 young Iranians went and died. What is that? There is no salvation in transcendent god. That in essence is self salvation.

The second type of god is what we call pantheistic god. It refers to indwelling god. Except Allah and Theism, the rest falls on this type like Confucius, Mencius, & Hindu. They are all indwelling gods. Now, what is the problem of the indwelling gods? Let me illustrate this. There is a flood in Jeju Island and everyone is swept away in the strong current of the flood. Someone next to me says, “Pastor I will save you in a moment.” Everyone is

drowning in the flood and can he really save others because he swims better than them? Everybody will die. I may die sooner than him but he will die as well. Whether it is Buddha, or Confucius, they will all die, so we can't say they are gods. They are manmade idols. Amen. We are talking about the types of gods humanity has made up.

In summary, whether it is a transcending god or pantheistic god, is there a god that can really save us? Is there any god that has the prerequisites to be the Creator God? Only Jehovah transcends the universe, comes into our lives, counts the number of hairs on our heads, and intervenes in our sorrow, emotion, anger, solitude, loneliness and all the details of our lives. God who both transcends and indwells is qualified to be our Creator God. Amen! He is your Father! The transcending God, Jehovah, dwells inside of us by the Spirit of Jehovah, at the same time, He comes upon us when we please Him and glorify Him in our lives. Amen. God perfectly indwells us, perfectly reigns us, and works in His perfect presence. Amen. Hallelujah! God who dwells in us, and is omnipresent throughout the whole universe, and meets all criteria to be the Creator, Jehovah God, is our Father.

Isaiah said that the corrupted heart of man is the only place God does not dwell in. Unless you confirm God as your Father, God cannot reside in the corrupted soul. In short, God is in uranois. He is in us, everywhere we go in all universes, and in the church, but He is not present in the corrupted men. How wailing is that? If He has already taken up residency in us, he reigns in us and at the same time His presence fills us. However, when He is not dwelling in us, we do not feel His presence and live in numbness. In the context of "Our Father who art in heavens," there is another type of distinction between gods in Palestine. One type is (Ba)al and the other type is El(lohim). (Ba)al refers to Baal obviously and El(lohim) refers to Jehovah. Now let's look at the characteristics of (Ba)al. This type of gods does not judge but blesses all the time. They don't demand to live a moral life. They

only reside in the temple. In short, (Ba)al type of gods are easy to believe and follow. They are limited by day, time and place. On the other hand, El(lohim) type of gods blesses and judges. This type of gods requires obedience to the commandments and holiness. He also transcends place and time. One important thing I want to point out is when Christian faith and Yahweh faith corrupt, El(lohim) takes on the characteristics of (Ba)al. Christians tend to encapsulate God in the temple. That's the reason the Jewish leaders valued the temple so much. When their Jehovah faith was corrupted, their worship became like Baal worship. They basically said, "Don't get angry with us." They acted just like pagans and tried to appease God with bribe and say, "Help us for a great harvest." They didn't live a holy and moral life but rather tried to appease God with corrupted worship service. That's why God says in Isaiah, "I am tired of your ram and its fat." God is basically saying, "You eat it." That's God's anger over them. God that is perfectly omnipresent in the heavens walks with us and asks us to pursue a holiness and morality. However, people that do not know this omnipresent God whose presence fills the whole universe live a corrupted life without knowing God's will.

Our God is Elohim. He blesses and curses us. In another word, worshipper and sacrifice are inseparable. As worshippers, when we offer ourselves as a sacrifice with holy life in worship to God, the holy worship service enhances our life to a much more powerful life. This powerful life in turn amplifies the worship service. Amen? This is true with the prayer. As our lives become more holy, our prayers become more powerful. As our prayers become more powerful, we feel the indwelling presence and descending presence of Holy Spirit which lead us to live more holy life. Holier the life the more powerful the prayer is. The life and indwelling & descending presence of God form a cycle. Hallelujah! God that you believe in transcends, indwells, works in history of a nation, world, and in all aspects of human life and moves us to live a prayer life that is worthy of using us for the rewriting of national and world histories. Amen!

During the World War II, Hitler was under the influence of Lama god of Tibet. Witnesses spoke of how powerful he was during one speech for about an hour that Hitler mashed the carpet. When the people of Germany heard his speech, they were moved greatly by the evil spirit of Lama. Liz Howard bound Hitler who was possessed by the powerful Lama spirit, brought about the Invasion of Normandy to success, and ultimately led the WW II to the victory. Amen! Just like Liz Howard who was empowered by El(lohim) moved the world, God who has descended on you transcends the universe, and shapes the history of nation, world and you eternally. May your prayer become a powerful prayer to move the history of nation and the world!

There are some powerful prayers that shape the world such as Yulbang intercessory prayer team, prophetic intercessory prayer team and my 18 years of prayer. Secrets are revealed one at a time and they are moving the world. You will be shocked if I tell you all the secrets of prayers. What would you think if I told you I went to the Blue House (home of Korean President)? Some may say, "Heresy." What if I told you I went to the White House? Computer experts hack into Pentagon and White House, don't they? Can the Spirit of God not go to such places? Think about that. Can the Spirit of God pass through those places? Yes, He can. Paper works can be switched in those places. God can do His work! I am sorry to bring up a spiritual thing.

"Our Father who art in heavens." Our goal is to extract our ego, give up our will, and go God-centered. When I open up the prayer in the morning with "Our Father who art in heavens," God teaches me these things. He says, "You make me laugh. You did a wonderful job yesterday. Me? Your Father? I wasn't even your uncle." God shows us what we did when we say, "Our Father who art in heavens." He leads us to repentance by reminding us what we loved more than God, what we loved, and how we were self-centered instead of God-centered. God teaches how we behaved like unbelievers in certain places where God was supposed to be

present. Heavens? Not even in restroom. That's what God teaches us. Then I start crying. I wail. So when we lift up the Lord's Prayer beginning with "Our Father who art in heavens," God speaks to us about our relationship with Him. How we have been so worldly, unbelieving, and deceived by greed and division. God moves us to repent to restore our relationship with Him. There are several things that might have gotten in between our relationship with God such as too much greed and how we have spoken to others out of the hurt we have. God spreads those things out before us. He says, "I am omnipresent in the universe, but in that particular place I wasn't the God, you were!" As we open up the Lord's Prayer, God wants us to extract one sin at a time, repent, and restore the relationship with Him. That's how God's omnipresence is materialized.

"Thy will be done on earth as it is heaven." Heaven here is a singular count in contrast to heavens in the beginning of the Lord's Prayer. The heaven does not have any problem. Where is the problem? The earth has the problem. Through the Lord's Prayer we turn the earth into heaven. Earth needs to become heaven. Amen. Continue to remove your self and repent of the sins that God reveals to you through the Lord's Prayer such as lies, divisible spirit in you, people you hurt and etc. everyday. In my case as a pastor when I kneel down in my prayer after the sermon, the next day, God would speak to me, "You lied four times." God would speak to me like that.

Pastors, if you exaggerate, you will get in trouble. This is just among us, but we exaggerate in our messages, don't we? It is ten but we say eleven. When we come before the Lord with the Lord's Prayer, God says, "You lied three times." So we work on it and the frequency goes down from like 10 to three, two and one. Hallelujah. Open up the Lord's Prayer like this and repent with regard to the relationship with God. Then God will be confirmed as Father. When the fullness of God's omnipresence is embodied in us and we pray, the prayer brings God's presence into reality. That's what we call Prophetic Intercessory Prayer. We pray

prophetically. Right at the moment and time God moves us to pray for what He does. You probably pray routinely during the course of your prayer. I would like to tell you to add Prophetic Intercessory Prayer to your prayer. It is a prayer led by the Holy Spirit for what God is about to do and what He needs at that time. This is a prayer that brings God's omnipresence into embodiment and the reality.

This is praying immediately. For example, if some danger comes to your husband, you pray immediately to resolve the dangerous situation. You probably don't know how important this is. Some incidents can be so treacherous they're irrecoverable in life. For example, your husband is about to go into bankruptcy, but God works and resolves the devil's scheme to block the flow of the authority of resources. Your husband's business is now saved. Things like this happen all the time to our church members. This happens quite often in our church, it is just not talked about a lot. This is the embodiment of God's omnipresence. Hallelujah! Car accident is about to take place but God leads one to pray to prevent it. There are many stories. The truth is things like that take place quite often in our lives by Satan. Amen? Therefore, we should continue to extract our ego and remove it. That's how we embody God's omnipresence that is in all heavens and bring it into our life as a reality. Hallelujah! This is how the earth becomes heaven. This is the removal of our flesh. Now, this is "Our Father who art in heavens." Amen?

Next is "Hollowed be Thy name." God's name is holy. This means that only God should receive the glory. That also means that we should give up our glory, our ways, our standard, and our pomp. "Lord, lift up Your name only and let my name fall on the ground." When you are lifted up, the Spirit of God immediately moves back. Humility is so important in this prayer. God has made up His mind already to answer the prayer of humble. When Daniel started to pray in humility, God already answered his prayer. "Lord, cut out my name. My name includes my glory, my fame, and my ways.

Remove them and only lift up Your name.” When we lift up such prayer in humility, it turns out to be a prayer that removes our ego. How far does this prayer take us to? Until we become numb when someone praises us.

Please don't become arrogant when you are praised. We don't want to be like Peter who became so proud when Jesus praised him, “I will build My church upon you!” because of his great profession of faith. Right after that Peter grabbed Jesus' neck and told the devil to go out of Jesus. Peter spoke the word “ganara” to Jesus and it means to cast out or deliverance from evil. What did Peter exactly mean by that? Once Peter heard that Jesus was going to die on the cross, he grabbed Jesus' neck and said, “Devil, get out!” Jesus replied to Peter, “Devil, get behind me! How come you are not thinking about God's work, but the affairs of man?” In short, the work of man and devil are the same. My way of thinking and the way of my ego equal devil. When someone says that you have a good personality, it can mean a praise of you. But it really means that you are like devil. Man's personality is the same as the way of the devil. Look at Peter and it is not good to praise him or lift him up. I hope that you don't become arrogant regardless of who gives praise to you. The secret to victorious life is “don't boast yourself.” If you boast yourself, you will absolutely be sunk.

Regardless of who gives praise, don't become arrogant. Like who? Like Moses. God says, “Moses, go as a leader and lead the people out of Egypt.” Moses says, “No, God.” God says, “Put your hand in.” There is leprosy and next it is gone. Moses still says, “No, God.” God says, “Go.” Moses answers, “No, I am not going. I can't speak.” God says, “OK. I will send you Aaron.” Moses says, “No I don't want to go.” Moses doesn't go until God forcefully pushes him to go. We don't want to become arrogant. Some of us tend to do that when we are changed a bit. That's not what we want to see. We should continuously remove our glory and fame and pray, “Lord, only You be glorified. Let my name fall on the ground.” Continuously remove self.

When I pray this prayer, “Hollowed be Thy name,” and hear God saying, “Yesterday, you acted like you were the Lord...,” then I cry and repent. I repent of my arrogance and getting ahead of God. The characteristic of a false prophet is that they go for popularity. People that are moved by the public opinions and the thinking of men represent false prophet. Even in our ministry we don’t minister according to God’s will but to according to the opinions of the church members. That proves we have the spirit of false prophet working in us. In short, evil spirit has entered us. No matter what the members of the church want if it is not God’s will, we shouldn’t speak it and we shouldn’t obey it. Pastors must speak according to God’s will and break down what is not God’s will. Even if everyone says that it is all right, but if God says it is not all right then it is not all right! We have to remember that. We can do that when we remove our honor, respect, will, and glory. All we see at that point is God. However, people that are otherwise cling onto the popularity. What good does the popularity of man leads to? Look, the world has been like that for ages. The world has been running by the public opinion in politics, economy, society, culture, and entertainment industry. But it does not concern the men of God. All people fought against Nebuchadnezzar in patriotism, but not Jeremiah. “Surrender to Nebuchadnezzar and be captives.” That is the will of God. That’s a true man of God. Look at prophet Micah. 400 professional prophets said, “Go” to King Ahab in unison, but only one man, Micah, said, “If you go, you will die.” That is one man’s word, Micah. This is the way God’s people live by. This does not happen overnight. Starting today pray, “Hollowed be Thy name. May only Your name be lifted up and drop my name on the ground. Please remove my honor, my will, my plans, my goals and my experiences.” We want to be in a state in which we feel numb to other’s praise. Let us not become arrogant. Work of removal of our ego should continue. Amen?

“Be holy” has a couple of meaning. First, it means a separation. When we pray, “May Your name be separated,” it demonstrates

our commitment to live by putting God first in our life. “God first!” The glory of the saints is living by putting God first in life. “God, only You are my all! God, you are everything to me!” This profession should arise in you always with a glorious emotion. “Only You are my all.” The One and only God. “I will live by only You.” We have a great example in Daniel. Knowing that we will be thrown into the den of lions, Daniel kneels down in prayer. If I were Daniel, I would have prayed in the closet. God would probably be pleased with even that. Daniel prayed loudly for his people at the window knowing that he would be thrown into the den of lions. He chose the lion’s den. If we live by God first in life, He uses us and rather than dying we live. Others who had tried to kill Daniel died. In order to level Daniel, one must level God first. And leveling God is the craziest thing to do in the world. Once you start living by putting God first in your life, God will acknowledge you. Look at David! David relied on God completely to the point that if God doesn’t do things for him, he wouldn’t make any move. How about you? After you pray and get no answer then you immediately seek others for help. That’s the reason God leaves you on your own because you do well without God’s help. But David is different. If God does not answer David’s prayer, David is going to die. Therefore, God answers David’s prayer when he prays because he lives by the principle of “God first.” The One and only God. So David has 100% of God’s answer to his prayer requests. Because God is first in David’s life, David does not kill Saul even though Saul tries to kill him desperately. “God first and the One and only God” Amen? This is the dangerous power of prayer. God truly answers when we become a stature of people like David. Of course God meets our needs but this is the prayer of people that can move the glory of God.

Second, what I mean by “Be holy” is that holiness belongs to God. It is for those who discover themselves in God in any given circumstance. We belong to God and we are significant only when we are in Him. We don’t initiate anything outside of God. For example, we pray only when we are full of God, His Spirit

moves us, and all our thoughts are seized by God. We are not supposed to pray when we are full of our thoughts and not full of the Spirit of God. The fastest way to succeed in life is to always maintain the fullness of God. Amen? Holiness is set apart reign.

Answer to prayer is not for anyone or for anything, rather it is for those who are set apart. It is a precious thing for a king to accommodate his servant's request. Would king grant just anyone's request? No. How much more so for the Creator to answer the prayer? It is directly related to His glory. I am not talking about a nominal request. The glorious servant's prayer to expand the Kingdom of God is amazingly great. Therefore, they belong to God. Hallelujah! The heir bears the name of Jesus Christ. Let's suppose I sign a blank check in my name and give it to Pastor Hong. What if Pastor Hong goes to Korean National Bank and tries to cash the check? He would get arrested. My name doesn't mean anything at the Bank. However, if the person that signs the check is under the name of Bill Gates, can Pastor Hong withdraw 100 million dollars? Oh yeah. How about the name, Jesus? Those who live by the principle of "God first" and acknowledge their existence only in God have the power to use the name of Jehovah. For those people, God's signed check is already available. All they have to do is call for it. In Ephesians, there is eight blessings in chapter 1. The last blessing is the seal of Holy Spirit. What does that mean? That's God's immediate signing on the check for His saints. On one hand, the glorious church that God desires is sealed by the Holy Spirit which leads to His immediate signing on the checks. On the other hand, if we live by our own ways and ego, and submit a request, it will be put on hold. You never know when your request will get a green light. For these people it is like getting as answer to their prayer from a far distant God that is on the other side of the galaxy. However, if we have been sealed by the Spirit of God, our prayer is immediately answered. We should have the assurance that the Spirit of the Creator within me is praying, so there should be no worries. Amen.

Next is “Thy Kingdom come.” It is about utterly destroying my kingdom. There are two characteristics of the church that the Holy Spirit reigns in: Holiness and Freedom. Man can’t rule the other man. Why not? Because freedom is a state in which one is seized by God. Let’s look at today’s churches. If the church is doing well, then the assistant pastors before the senior pastor are like mice in front of cat. I have noticed that the pastors that served as associate pastor for a long time have many scars. The church that is seized by the Spirit of God does not rule over people. Man does not rule others. That is the freedom and holiness. If you look at Jesus in the Bible, he overpowers the nature, devils, sickness and everything else except men. The strongest word Jesus spoke came after the healing of sickness, “Sin no more.” We are not supposed to overpower others. People try to overpower/rule others so they can build their own kingdom. Look at today’s churches. They are all trying to build their own kingdoms. Pastors, we have to be careful. The saints in church should be all men of God, not men of a pastor. You may say, “They are the perfect fit to our church”, but that is not true. There are only people that fit for the kingdom of God. This is taking place because pastors’ desire for their own kingdom has not been torn down. This is very important. Amen? The reason God is angry against the church is that pastors/churches are raising their own people. The sermon is based on the pastor’s own ministerial goal. I mean pastors’ messages are of their wills. Pastors must watch out for this. That is what this “May Your Kingdom come” means. In summary, restore the relationship through “Our Father who art in heavens.” Next, with “Hallowed be Your name” live for the benefit of God only. Extract the ego with the prayer, “Forgive me for not living by You. Forgive me for not belonging to You and remaining in You.” Through “May Your kingdom come,” pray, “God, help me not to live according to my ways and my will. Help me let go and let You. And help me to move only when You move.” Repent if you move when God does not move. Destroy these desires in your prayers: living for my own kingdom, moving when God doesn’t move, and doing things not according to God’s will. Destroy them! What is the

reason King Saul was rejected in First Samuel chapter 15? He built his own monument whereas King David didn't build his own monument. God rejected Saul because of his own monument he built.

The Lord's Prayer is all about destroying ego. When my ego dies, my kingdom dies out. If my ego is not dead, then I naturally live to build up my kingdom instead of building the Kingdom of God. In the end, God will reward you and applaud you for your efforts to build the Kingdom of God not your own kingdom. Once again if my ego does not die, I will naturally build my own kingdom. Some of you realize how important this is and some don't. Please listen carefully. There are a huge number of people whose lifestyle shivers my back. If the longing for the eternal life and the hope to enter into the Creator's kingdom of glory are not the goal of your life, then you don't have to live like this. However, except those that are already decided to go to hell, all of you here will taste His glory and live by His glory when the Kingdom comes. Amen? Therefore, we exist for the expansion of His Kingdom according to His will and His plan. It is disastrous to expand my kingdom. How chagrin God is because of today's church. He is angry as well. Do you know why? Because today's churches are expanding their kingdoms and they have nothing to do with the Kingdom of God. What is legalism? Legalism is the life of one's own action. "I am first!" It has nothing to do with God's will. Once I initiate and get something done, then that is my merit. If I don't do it, then it is not mine. If I can grasp it in my hand, then it is mine. That's not the lifestyle of faith. Again, it is not about what I do. We are to stay put until God moves first. If I move ahead, when God doesn't move, it is called the legalism. Consequently, all Korean churches are bound by legalism. When we look at this closely, they are not churches. They are companies according to God. We should destroy our own kingdoms. Please remember this. Destroy your kingdom! because we haven't destroyed our own kingdoms, when the real Jesus Christ comes to us, we all reject Him. You may ask me, "Are you authentic?" I can't say that I am but I convulse even now to become authentic. I am thankful.

Since I saw the authenticity of God and nothing else, I have been living in no other way but this. That's the reason I am saying this. We are supposed to live like that. We are to lay down our lives for the authentic words of God. Destroy your kingdom! Amen?

“May Your Kingdom come” has three meanings. First, it means “Lord, be my King.” God is my king. Since God is my king I have no possession. I no longer have my possession, my purpose, my kingdom, and my experience. A disciple does not have his own possession, his ways, and his plans. It is giving up all things. “May Your Kingdom come.” If God does not provide, I have nothing to live with. A life of saint is to live by God's sustenance. People that haven't been living this lifestyle would not understand this. Saints reject any possession if it is not from God. In short, it is not doing things with what I possess but with what God provides. “God, be my King.” According to First John 2:22, those that reject Jesus as King are antichrists. We have many antichrists in the church. Why? They are antichrists because they live by their ways and expand their kingdoms. It is written in First John that many antichrists have arisen and those that reject Jesus as King are antichrists. The spirit of antichrist is killing the saints. Only Jesus is the King.

Second, it means “Lord, reign over me.” It is laying down my will and efforts. Amen? What is grace? In short, it is “Lord, reign over me.” Living by grace is a commitment to live by only the ways of God. Grace is a gift. It is living by what God gives to us. This is grace! There are so many saints who try to save themselves even though they believe in God and know what grace is all about. When you give lots of efforts and pray hard, you feel pretty filled with Holy Spirit. If you don't do those, you feel that you may go to hell. This is indication of trying to save by oneself. People trying to save by themselves are not receptive to what God provides with. I believe 100% when God says, “I will give it to you.” When He says that I am forgiven, I believe that. Since He created the all things, He is my head and the church rules all things. Furthermore, we are to believe and accept

everything 66 books of the Bible say. What's incredible is the words of the Bible are believable to me. Some of you may have a difficult time believing the word. But the Scripture is believable because of acceptance of the Father. We accept all the words in the Bible. "Reign over me!"

Third, "Help me to absolutely obey You." This is not choosing to obey but an absolute obedience. I always say this. My concern lies on not 95% of obedience but 5% of disobedience. That's how a saint is supposed to live. It is acknowledging with humility that even 1% of disobedience can kill me. John 7:17 says, "If any man is willing to do His will, he shall know of the teaching, whether it is of God, or whether I speak from Myself." Man of God does the will of God. What does that mean? If you do with will of God and obey Him, you know whether what I speak is the will of God or not because you have been praying to God. Why? You don't know whether it is from God or devil because you haven't been living by God. "Help me to absolutely obey You." The reign of God always brings peace. Colossians 3:15 says, "And let peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body; and be thankful." Likewise when we are ruled by God, the peace is supposed to come to us. We can have this peace in any circumstance regardless of severity of suffering.

"Our Father which art in heavens" leads us to repent of all the sins that have disrupted our relationship with the Father. After embodying the omnipresence of God, "Hallowed be Thy name" is next and it is lifting up only the name of God and dropping our name. God is holy and He is everything to us. Let's repent of our sin of not living like God who is truly everything to us. Next is "May Your Kingdom come." This is destroying my kingdom. Be My King! Let us not live according to our possession, our ways, our plans, and our goals. Habakkuk said, "They are a law to themselves and promote their own honor." Who are they? They are wicked people. Wicked people's standard of judgment is of themselves. We are not to set the standard of judgment by ourselves. Next, the characteristic of wicked is their belief that

their own strength is their god. We don't want to be proud of wealth, fame or authority or be sad when you don't have it. Let us not live according to the standard of this world. Be my King! God is our only King. Hallelujah! I opened up the Lord's Prayer and repented of my sin for the last 18 years.

Pastor Kim, is that all you did? Yes, for 18 years that's what I did. Even right now I turn to the Lord's Prayer and repent. I turn to Ephesians and proclaim the doctrine of church to God and ask His blessing upon our church. Next, I turn to Ezekiel 47 and pray for a glorious church. Like this I open up the Bible and pray. If you pray normally, this prayer takes 6 hours. Let the heaven open up and pray how yesterday was and how I may live today in accordance to the Lord's Prayer.

Next is "In earth as it is in heaven." There is no problem with the heaven. Right? The problem lies with the earth, so through the Lord's Prayer we are to extract our ego. That's how the earth transforms into heaven. Folks, what is a secret to cultivate a good soil? Will it become a good soil by digging the earth with a fork? No. It takes a trowel and to consistently till the earth. Likewise we need to till our heart daily. While tilling, we need to remove heavy rocks and trees to turn it into heaven. Hallelujah! Don't worry about anything in any day. Live with joy not anxiety and accept the voice of God. That's what happens when we become heaven. Amen! Look, when your earth becomes heaven, heaven will open up daily. Why? Because you are heaven now. In John 3:21-2, "And as Jesus was praying, heaven was opened (torn) and the Holy Spirit descended on Him in bodily form like a dove (somatico)." As long as you have the right relationship with God, your prayer will be answered in reality just like the dove was materialized. Just like the invisible God is made visible within the boundary of your life through your words, thoughts, and life, there will be embodiments in your life because you are full of Him. Somatico (embodiment) is an important word. In short, through your word, character and lifestyle Jesus makes the invisible God visible in your life. So if Jesus is not embodied in you, you are a fake.

Let's take a look at how the Lord's Prayer flows down. This is a prayer crying out to God as we become pure in relationship with God from wall to wall. That's the reason I have entitled this sermon over the Lord's Prayer Total Fashion. Prayer is total fashion of Christian life. What I mean by that is the words in prayer are essence of one's walk with God. The utterance of prayer represents the whole essence of Christian life pulled into a single word before God. So wouldn't God be moved by that word in the prayer? Therefore, the prayer of unclean man takes millions of years to get answered.

"In earth as it is in heaven..." "God, may not my will be done today. May Your will be done only. Teach me Your will today Lord. Help me to understand Your will immediately." For 18 years I have worked on removing my will. Those of you whom I prophesied know that 99.9% of the time God teaches me His will immediately. I never say to pray for 20 days or fast. Some people get upset when I tell them not to fast. I think that's because they were influenced by the heads of the Prayer Centers who emphasize on fasting. We do not need to fast to discern God's will. Amen. Again, we do not need to fast to discern God's will. It is something that we know the will of Father instantly. Why don't we know this? Because we are so used to living by our own will. That's right! We don't know the will of God because of our lifestyle of living by our will. Once we remove our will, we discern God's will 100%. Once the earth becomes heaven, heaven will naturally open up. Extract the ego. Remove the desire of your flesh and your will, then you will live under the open heaven.

Eating the word of God and praying is the same thing. In short, it is praying the word. When we say that the prayer is alive, it means the light of God's word is alive in my spirit. So we have the saying "If your eye is bright, so is your body." When spiritual eye is bright and sees the will and plans of God, the whole body and the life become bright as well. Amen.

"As it is in heaven" refers to "May Your will be done only." It is

lifting up this prayer. “May none of my will be done. Help me to discern Your will everyday. Lead me to obey Your will immediately whatever that may be.” God replies to this prayer, “You have been living according to your will.” I fall down right away and cry and repent. Amen? “As it is in heaven” means shalom. The strongest meaning of God is shalom. It is victory. Knowing the meaning of shalom I examine my spiritual gifts that God has given me through the prayer so I can powerfully use them. “Lord, You will use me with this gift today, how will you use it with power and ...?” I examine the spiritual gifts such as prophecy, word of knowledge, discernment, and so on. I also examine the sermons I preach as part of the authority of God’s word and lift up this prayer. “God, when I speak Your word, may I receive a complete revelation. Help me not to speak the word You did not reveal to me, the word You did not give to me, and the word that I haven’t obeyed. Spare me from exaggeration.”

Next is “Give us our daily bread.” Let’s talk about the daily bread. Can we not gather the bread in one day for the whole month? Why not pause prayer for a month and pray for ten hours straight later? We can’t do that. There is a portion of food that we need to eat on daily basis. God is powerful and effective. How good is it to gather the food at once. Instead of gathering manna everyday, isn’t it better to gather it all at once? However, God had Israelites gather their manna everyday. Why? If we do not acknowledge God everyday, stand up in the direction of Him and face Him, we will not be faithful to Him. Corruption must come. It is not everyday, rather it is every moment that we need to walk with God and let Him shine on the condition of our spirits continually. Amen.

In Korea, we have many seminars about spiritual training that we can go to and attend; however, if we don’t forge a right relationship with God and walk with Him, they all become a ghost story. Those seminars become ineffective. It is impossible without forming a right relationship with God to reap from the seminars or spiritual training. This is very simple. If one cannot concentrate on

God and he is distracted all the time, seminars won't do him any good. I have heard of a particular seminar that costs \$10,000 and another seminar about preaching for \$8,000. Those seminars probably offer great things to the attendants. Zoe ministry is free for anybody. Please don't come to Zoe ministry because it is so cheap. Is it cheap because it is not that good? Zoe Ministry is the real thing! It doesn't matter how good or expensive the seminars are if your spirit is not facing God, walking with Him, and walking closer to Him every moment. So what do we need to do now? Change the way we are. We've got to start changing our ways. I always advocate we need "Revolution of Being" before we can do anything else. Methods and systems don't get us anywhere. When I was a Sunday school teacher and a director at age 29, I gathered 80 kids in the church that's only 350 ft². My wife is a witness. I had never attended Sunday school before and I had no training. Only thing I had known was God's amazing love and the fact the Almighty God was my Father. We really don't need method. All we need is walking with God, focusing on Him, and willing to die for Him.

Do I sound ignorant to you? No. I came to an understanding while reading the Bible that it is all we need. Look at Joseph! Did Joseph study for an entrance exam in competition to become the Prime Minister of Egypt? It only took him 13 years to go from slave to the Prime Minister. All he did was to drill God. Joseph focused on God. That's it! Does this apply to only Joseph? No, this is the same for any one. All we need to do is to focus on God. As long as one's spirit is facing God, He will provide daily bread. Once again all we need is to concentrate on God.

The other side of the token is that we shouldn't live apart from God's provision. Our sustenance should be from God's provision. Your own ways in your life is sustained by your strength, so you end up with death instead of life. Please remember that. Your own methods bring death not life. Jesus said that if you try to die, you will live but if you try to live, you will die. Look at the computers, science, and the civilizations in the world. They all

bring death to humanity. They don't save the world. Jesus is the only One that can save and bless us. Amen.

Daily bread is not referring to physical food but the spiritual food. Amen? You try to substitute with worldly food for your consumption because you are starved of spiritual food. What happens when the materialism is idolized? In Matthew 6:24 Jesus says, "No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will hold to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon." Because we don't serve God through our daily bread, what do we serve? We serve materials. What is material? It is mammon, the devil of materials/wealth. In another word, loving money is being possessed by devil. I repeat this. If you love money, you are possessed by devil. Naturally, your spirit will serve evil spirit if you are not focused on God. Pastors, ministry is the same. If you are not facing God and doing the ministry according to His will, you will establish your kingdom which opens up for like Positive Attitude and something else beside God. This is a scary thing. We must face God. Amen.

What is our daily bread? It is all words that proceed out of mouth of God. Moreover, we have a portion of words that we should eat daily. I look at my kids and know that kids that eat well grow big. We want to eat the words of God every day. We don't want to be picky eaters. That's important.

Now, let's see why I treat the prayer and the word equally. Eating the word and lifting up the prayer are the same. We can pray as much as we eat His word. Is there anyone that can run marathon while fasting for 40 days? Raise your hand. There is none. We can pray as much as eat the word of God. Eating and hearing are the same. In Hebrew, speaking and doing are the same. Theologically speaking, hearing and speaking are the same. When we eat God's word, we hear the word of God and the voice of heaven. When we hear the voice of heaven, we can speak of heaven. We clearly want to hear the word of God. We also want

to eat His words. Amen. When we hear the voice of heaven, we can speak of heaven. If we hear the voice of earth, we will speak of earth. In that case, heaven does not open up. We can move the heaven when we speak of heaven because we hear its voice. Amen. Our part is eating God's daily bread. Amen.

In John 4:34 we see another type of food. Jesus says, "My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to accomplish His work." Work of God is our food. Our mission is to do the work of God according to His will. When we complete our mission, we become full. Therefore, if you are heavy laden all alone and caving in under the weight while you are serving in the church, something is not going right. We are supposed to be full as much as do the work of God. One thing about the work of God is that we become renewed and touched as we do His work because it is the bread of God.

In Psalm 80:5, Psalmist says, "God has fed them with the bread of tears and made them drink tears in large measure." We have another type of food and that is tear. God cries when the tears of women roll down. The Hebrew literature of Kabbalah describes God shedding the tears of women. God loves this tear and we are supposed to shed the tear of our daily portion for the family, nation, pastor, and fellow saints. Right? It is not an overstatement to say that if the tear in your eyes is drying up, it means your Christian life is becoming legalistic. I want you to know that if you don't cry when you pray, when you read Bible, and you hear the sermon, you are in dangerous waters. Amen?

You may say to me, "How can a man cry?" If one doesn't cry before the Lord, he will shed tears of blood in the world. I am serious! I used to be one of vicious men but after encountering God I became a crybaby. I cried everyday when I first met God. I cried in the middle of the sermon, and also while reading the Bible. It is a warning if the mark of teardrops disappears on the pages of your Bible. How affectionate and moving is it when someone like me who deserves to die receives all things from

God. When our spirits basically say, "Because I labored I deserve it," the tear disappears from us. Last month, I was touched by Pastor Kang. He was so blessed at the conference that he cried whenever he saw me. When a woman cries, you feel touched by her tears and when a man cries, it's little awkward. Long time ago the pastor over there, Pastor Kim, he came up to me crying and hugging me during the conference. He is short so when he hugged me, he came right into my arms. I was deeply touched when he cried in my arms. Men ought to cry, too. Sisters, if you cry watching dramas (soap opera) on TV, but you never shed any tears before God, watch out! If you cry and say, "That main character is so pitiful," but you are sharp as tack before the Lord, something is not right. Tear is a daily portion for the nation, the people, the saints, and the families. Much tear for them is necessary. Amen.

"Joy of the Lord is your strength!" "Lord, give us the portion of joy everyday!" Worry is not for us, but rather we should be joyful everyday. Amen. One of the important discoveries in my 18 years of Christian life is found in Colossians that the first type of people that God is pleased with is people that rejoice because of God. God is pleased with those that regardless of the circumstance say, "God, I love you. You are my everything. All I need in my life is You." On the other hand, people that frown and say, "How come God is not giving that to me" is unfavorable to the Lord. Will God even look at people that He is not pleased with? Let's look at Jacob in Genesis. Jacob is about to go to the Lord in his death bed and he is not paying any attention to his grown up children. But when Joseph walks in, Jacob gets right up. Why? Because Jacob is happy to see Joseph who very much pleases him. God is joyful of those who rejoice of Him. "God, give us today's portion of joy." In Psalm 149, Psalmist speaks of godly people singing for joy and out of their mouth comes two-edged sword (in their hand). This is like a powerful sword that can swirl in the air and attack multiple enemies and comes back to the fighter like a legendary Chinese swordsman. Likewise when joyful people speak, two-edged sword flies out and attacks the devils.

Next, another type of daily portion we need in our life is the meaning of my life. We need the purpose of each day we live. Some scholars say that if we lose the reason of existence of a society and nation, we will crumble. Ask God for the meaning of your life each day. "God, as I exist this day, give me the meaning of my life to glorify you." We need to ask for the meaning of our life. Next, pray for the ability to handle the power of spiritual gifts each day. Here, we pause to examine how we should use these gifts. "God, help me to use the spiritual gifts You have given me more sharply and holy without becoming arrogant." This should be our prayer. Amen?

"Forgive our sins as we forgive our debtors." This prayer is about the restoration of relationships. The Lord's Prayer ends in verse 13 of Matthew 6. What do the next two verses say? "For if you forgive men for their transgressions, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men, then your Father will not forgive your transgressions." Right after the Lord's Prayer is over, God is sealing it with forgiveness. The Lord's Prayer is made complete when you forgive others. when you loosen on earth, it will loosen up in heaven. Only way heaven is bound up is when it is bound up on earth. Furthermore, when heaven is not bound up but you are, then it is like water that does not run because the faucet is turned off. Saint shouldn't hate anyone. Any one. For saint, there is only forgiveness. Amen? I have been "stabbed" in the back by many people in my ministry and in Zoe ministry network. People that don't know me say bad things about me and gossip, but I am not hateful. I have pity on them. I have been on the receiving end for the longest time. I spend the money (church money) for them and minister them in sweat and they strike my back. My wife and church members are witness that I do not hate them. I have compassion on them. I really hope that they come to heaven. Why? Because I want to ask them, "Why did you slander me?" I want all of them to come to heaven. I want to implore you to not hate anyone. We don't want to stumble. Stumbling is our enemy. Let's put away the hatred.

Hallelujah!

I spoke this when I was preaching on Beatitude. It is not a good idea to make a judgment based on what you see and what you hear. Furthermore, it is foolish to make a judgment when one did not see or hear. I am not saying this because people just slander me, but because most people that do that don't know me well enough. We don't know clearly about someone even if we see and hear about him. Slandering others based on false rumor makes God angry. The judgment of good and evil does not lie with men. In Beatitude Jesus says, "Blessed are the meek for they shall inherit the earth." That means to postpone the judgment. We are to accept only what God speaks and what God acknowledges to us. Human's eyes and ears are undependable. They are easily deceived. In Greek, "Forgive our sin as we forgive our debtors" means "forgive us as much as we forgive others." This sounds pretty legalistic, but it is not about the law. This emphasizes the importance of forgiveness. "Forgive my sin as much I forgive others." Isn't this frightening? That's how much forgiveness is important.

Man knows he is a sinner but he does not fully understand how bad the sin is. We want to cleave our ego by the Lord's Prayer and come to grip how extremely evil the sin is. Like the story of a man whose 10,000 talents of debt were forgiven and yet he doesn't understand how severe the sin is. That's the reason he grabs the neck of a debtor who owes him only 300 denari. How foolish is a man! This is why we shouldn't hate others. When people slander me, I look back and examine myself and I realize "I shouldn't do this or that." I examine myself. We are to examine ourselves. Amen?

"Forgive our sin as we forgive others." Hallelujah. Do away with envy and jealousy and look at the bright side. The bottom line is that we don't want to hate anyone. There shouldn't be anyone that we hate. Christian life is all about cleaving our ego. It is about forgiving others and restoring relationships. "Forgive us as

we forgive others.” If God points out our faults of hating someone, we are to repent, restore from the hurt in the relationship, and remove the bitter roots. No matter who attacks/hurts us we are not to pay them back like a watered garden. No matter how people disappoint us, don’t let that spirit of disappointment affect us.

I have realized through my prayer life that the first key for God to use to accept our prayer is forgiveness. If you are still bound to someone in terms of relationship (if you haven’t forgiven someone yet), don’t you think about receiving answer for your prayer from God. I preached out of First John that one that hates his brother is in darkness. It is a lie to prophecy and to do other things when one hates the other. We should do away with them. It is a lie to fast for 40 days when one hates others. Worshipping God when one has hatred is essentially over. There is no response from God. “Leave your offering there before the altar, and go your way; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and present your offering.” You must leave your offering before the altar. It is important because if you take the offering with you to go and reconcile, you may not come back. This is why we are to pray for the restoration of the relationships everyday. Forgiveness. Do I have hurt within me? Am I bound by something? Do I have bitter roots? How is my relationship with my wife? Do I have any problem? Examine your relationship with others.

Next, “Lead us not into temptation.” This prayer is about spiritual discernments. We are to sharply examine whether we have been attacked by the enemies yesterday or not. “Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.” This prayer about the spiritual battle is so important. Only your victory over this spiritual battle will prevent foes from depriving you. Hallelujah! There are three discernments of prayer; the people, the place, and the time. Please lift up these prayers every day.

First, let’s talk about the discernment of the right people. If you

hang around with the wrong crowd, you can really mess up your life. Right? Many of you who are here today have ruined your life because of the wrong people in your life. Clear discernment of people must be precise. It's easy to discern whether it is of Holy Spirit or evil spirit, but the discernment of people and place is tough. "God, should I meet this person today?" When we get up in the morning we should ask God, "Should I meet him today?" Please listen well. I am teaching you the secret to a successful life. Our prayer is not about asking God for some materials but for whom I need to meet with. Don't meet that person if God is not pleased with him. Even if you meet him, it is better to use discretion and not go deep in conversation. "God, how is that person?" I love to meet and talk to people. My wife knows that I am willing to do anything for others. But God holds me back. God says, "He is going to stab you in the back." Although I don't meet him, I am watching him. It is awful when you discern others. I let them do whatever to me intentionally but not to the point of taking my life. Lord watches over me.

Second, the discernment of place is our prayer. Is this place God is pleased in or not? Finally, the discernment of time is in order. Our church members come to me and ask me. "Is this the right business for me? Should I do this or not?" I prophecy for them. When I say that this is not the right time, then it stops there. If I say this is the time, then it is. Our church members ask me all the time about their businesses. "Should I do it or not?" When it is not the right time, the time of God, or the time of sacrifice or the time of blessing haven't come yet, it will fall apart if one engages. We wait for the right time. This spiritual discernment is important for us. So lift up this prayer, "God, whom should I meet today? Do you want me to meet this guy? Is this the right place? Will it be the right time when You make Your move today?" Please pray for those discernments. Hallelujah!

Finally, we come to "Deliver us from evil." This prayer is about asking God for deliverance from the evil ones. Of course this prayer is about spiritual battles. "God, by Your grace equip me to

fight this battle and fill me with your authority so I wouldn't be limited in revealing You. What evil spirits are working against us? What weapons of war should I use today? How should I fight this battle? How fierce is it?" Our church has been fighting the spiritual battles over the years. Lately, evil spirits have come up against us as we just wrapped up a conference in Jeju Island. I have been praying about how the evil spirits are working in their strategy and whether I should intervene or not. If God says to step in, I will step in and so forth. We need to pray for the spiritual discernment. Amen.

Each day we lift up our prayer in the frame of the Lord's Prayer. Won't the person who prays in this system of the Lord's Prayer everyday be made complete? Think about that. Can you compare the one who prays this for 18 years and the other who is clueless about this type of prayer? This is how you do the spirituality. In this cycle of repentance and walking with God uprightly, we move on straight.

After I pray this Lord's Prayer, I move on to the first chapter of Ephesians and lift up the eight blessings found in that chapter. I proclaim those eight blessings. God, may the church and I be rooted in the love. Make Yulbang Church and me holy and blameless. Grant me the authority of Your Son who won the victory on the cross and the authority of spirit, personnel, and materials. Also, grant us the power to confess our sin and be forgiven and help the church members and me to be as pure as we can be at this Yulbang Church. May the spirit of repentance strongly stir up! You are the Giver of wisdom and understanding. Become our Revelation and give us Your wisdom so we can do Your works. May the wisdom of words, the wisdom of raising up kids, and the wisdom that determines the outcome of our nation belong to us. Lord, raise up Your leaders in this church with the wisdom to lead this country, to build up this church, and to move the world as the church. God, You have unified all times above the heaven, below the heaven, and below the earth. Anoint Yulbang Church with the authority of king. Like You said, make

the inheritance of the saints as Your inheritance, and may the saints have clear identity as Your praise of glory in order that they would not serve the world but seal them with Your Spirit everyday.

That's an example of prayer that you can pray.

Next, I turn to 47th chapter of Ezekiel and pray this. "Like the inundated salt water turns into the sweet water may everyone that comes to this church experience revolution of being including drunkards, thieves, and gamblers. You said there will many waves of water. God, choose Your people and leaders from all over the world and send them to this church." After this prayer American came to us and joined our church. The prayer continues on. "May Your word of bearing fruits every month be fulfill in the lives of saints in this church according to their spiritual growth. Like You said that through Your amazing healing You will build up a powerful church, may that be fulfilled." If God says, "Minho, turn to Isaiah," then I open up Isaiah and pray through it. This is a normal prayer life. Of all these prayers the first one is the Lord's Prayer and I repent. Amen. May the spiritual system of the Lord's Prayer be embedded in your spirit!

