

Is Your Life Worth a Prayer?
“The Lord’s Prayer”
Part 1 of 8

Don’t worry about anything. Instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank Him for all He has done. If you do this, you will experience God’s peace, which is far more wonderful than the human mind can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.
Philippians 4:6-7 (NLT)

The Lord’s Prayer: **LIFE’S DECOMPRESSION CHAMBER**

This is how you should pray: Our Father in heaven... Matthew 6:9 (NIV)

God is a **FATHER**, not a **FORCE**.

WE CAN CONNECT WITH GOD BECAUSE ...

1. HE IS A **CARING FATHER**

As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who honor Him... Psalm 103:13 (NIV)

Cast all your anxiety on Him, because He cares for you! 1 Peter 5:7 (NIV)

So don’t worry saying, “What shall we eat? ... or what shall we wear?” ... Your heavenly Father knows you need these things. Matthew 6:31-32 (NIV)

2. HE IS A **CONSISTENT FATHER**

Every good and perfect gift... is from the Father – who does not change like shifting shadows. James 1:17 (NIV)

Even if we are faithless, He remains faithful, for He cannot disown Himself. 2 Timothy 2:13 (NIV)

God will never go back on His promises. Romans 11:29 (LB)

My God is changeless in His love for me. Psalm 59:10 (LB)

3. HE IS A **CLOSE FATHER**

God did this so people would... reach out for Him and find Him, since He is not far from each of us. Acts 17:27 (NIV)

He is never **TOO BUSY**

The Lord is near to all who call on Him. Psalm 145:18 (NIV)

He loves to **MEET MY NEEDS**

If you... know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask Him! Matthew 7:11 (NIV)

He is sympathetic to **MY HURTS**

The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. Psalm 34:18 (NIV)

4. HE IS A **COMPETENT FATHER**

For nothing is impossible with God. Luke 1:37 (NIV)

*(God) is able to do far more than we would ever dare to ask or even dream of – infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, or hopes!
Ephesians 3:20 (LB)*

God sent Jesus to make the connection:

*Jesus said, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. If you really knew Me, you would know My Father as well."
John 14:6-7 (NIV)*

We are children of God through faith in Jesus Christ. Galatians 3:26 (LB)