

# Lord, Teach Us to Pray: Holy is the Lord

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## Matthew 6:9-13

9 "This, then, is how you should pray: "**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name**, 10 your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. 11 Give us today our daily bread. 12 Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. 13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.'

Jesus taught that we were to be a people of prayer.

He taught by personal example.

## Mark 1:35

*Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed.*

He even gave us a template for prayer.

## Luke 11:1

*One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples."*

## Psalms 103:1

**Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.**

**Hallowed**: Most Holy, sacred, pure, blameless

We are called to praise God...

## 1. BECAUSE OF WHO HE IS!

### Psalms 8:1

O LORD, our Lord, **how majestic is your name** in all the earth!

## Isaiah 6:1-3

1 In the year that King Uzziah died, **I saw the Lord** seated on a throne, **high and exalted**, and the train of his robe filled the temple.

2 Above him were seraphs... 3 And they were calling to one another: "**Holy, holy, holy is the LORD Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory.**"

We are called to praise God...

## 2. BECAUSE OF WHAT HE HAS DONE FOR US!

### Psalms 71:23

My lips will shout for joy when **I sing praise to you--I, whom you have redeemed.**

We are called to praise God...

## 3. BECAUSE HE IS WORTHY AND WE ARE NOT!

### Isaiah 6:1-5

1 I saw the Lord seated on a throne, high and exalted, and the train of his robe filled the temple. 2 Above him were seraphs... 3 And they were calling to one another: "**Holy, holy, holy is the LORD Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory.**" 4 At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke. 5 "**Woe to me!**" I cried. "I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and **my eyes have seen the King, the LORD Almighty.**"

We are called to praise God...

## 4. BECAUSE OF HIS GREAT LOVE FOR US!

### John 3:16

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

We are called to praise God...

## 5. BECAUSE WE RESPOND TO LOVE WITH LOVE!

### Hebrews 13:15

Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a **sacrifice of praise**-the fruit of lips that confess his name.