

**Give us today
our daily bread**



Recap: Your Will Be Done



1. God is big, great, awesome.
2. We are small, limited, biased.
3. "Trust in the Lord and don't lean on your own understanding" (Proverbs 3:5)
4. When we pray "Your will be done" it is an act of surrender

"Give us this day our daily bread" assumptions

1. We are dependent on God for our daily needs.
2. We are dependent on God's continual upholding of all things by the word of his power. (Hebrews 1:3)
3. Far from being self-sustaining, we are needy creatures, reliant on energy from a source outside ourselves if we are to go on living.

1. **Be ungrateful** when we feel like our needs are not met
2. **Feel that God owes us** when our needs are not met
3. **Be greedy** when our needs are what drives us
4. **Change** when all our needs are met & when our needs are in charge
5. **Be insecure** when our identity is in our needs
6. **Become defensive**, building walls to protect what we got
7. **Become trapped in joylessness** when we compare our needs to what other people have



We tend to...

Man does not live by bread alone



1. Jesus was not saying "You shall not NEED bread," he was saying "you shall not live by bread alone"
2. We have made all of life about bread
3. We are concerned even with the *type of bread* we and others eat
4. We spend our whole health chasing bread, in pursuit of fulfilling our needs (the way we want)
5. Jesus does not ignore the importance of bread but he confronts the idea that our whole life is all about bread.
6. Our whole identity & the stuff we have is because God has given them to us for our enjoyment and for the glory of God

"Give us this day our daily bread..."

When we pray this, we are recognizing our need for God's help, recognizing his provision in the things we have, and recognizing that for every need we are going to have, God knows.



Jesus is the Bread of Life



- 1. God is our provision.** Not just the provider, but the actual provision.
- 2. God is our portion.** He is the gift, he is everything we need.
- 3. Even when we have plenty, we don't stop praying** because we recognize the things we have, God has graciously entrusted them to us so that we can invite others and bless others with them.

Hope, Vision, and Dreams



We do not worry about tomorrow,
because our God is able to supply our needs today.

Bring to God our hope, visions, dreams, plans and
submit them to the Lord.

When we are to ask for “our daily bread,” we are
recognizing that it is to be obtained not by theft, nor by
taking by force or fraud what belongs to another, but by
grace from God in our personal labor and industry.

Next Steps



1. What needs are keeping you up at night that God is able to give you?
2. Who can be changed by your surplus?
3. Give...

**It's not because we don't have enough, it's
because that enough is not enough.
Surplus is the only way to feel like we
have enough. So we don't have joy.
With this, our lives never get to be satisfied.**

