# The Lord's Prayer Patterns for Revival

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### 1. POSITION (Matthew 6:9) – Our Father, You are in heaven. Holy is Your name...

#### Example:

Our Father in heaven, I thank You for taking away the written code, with all its rules and regulations that stood opposed to me. I praise You for nailing it to the cross. Because of Your sacrificial love for me in Jesus; I am deeply loved, fully pleasing, totally forgiven, accepted and complete in You. **By Jesus' blood shed for me, I am now Your child, and You are my Abba**. Because of Your finished work on the cross, nothing in all of creation can separate me from the love and acceptance that You have for me.

Thank You for granting me adoption and sonship, that I may approach Your throne room with confidence in order to find help in times of trouble. Lord, this nation is in trouble, this community is in trouble, Lord, the world is in trouble. By Your grace and as Your child, You have given me spiritual authority to overcome all forms of evil. I join together now in prayer with all Your children who are crying out to You throughout the world

Father, I acknowledge that You are not like us. You are perfect and Holy in every way. Everything Your do is right, and all Your ways are just and those who walk in pride — You are able to humble. Humble me now Lord, as I seek Your face, and press me into a deeper awareness of Your holiness, beauty and endless love for all people.

Col 2:13-14, Ephesians 2:4-10, Romans 8:15, Romans 8:37-39, Ephesians 1:5, Hebrews 4:16, Luke 10:19, Isaiah 6:3, Daniel 4:37, 1 Peter 5:6, Psalm 27:4, John 3:16

## **2. SUBMISSION** – Your Kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

#### Example:

Father, I bow my heart, my mind and my whole being to You now. I believe Your word that says one day every knee will bow, and every tongue confess that Jesus is Lord to the glory of You Father. I bow before You now. You are my King, and I am Your servant. I acknowledge that it is better to spend one day in Your courts, than a thousand elsewhere. Your ways are not our ways, neither are Your thoughts our thoughts. I now surrender all discernment, conversations, attitudes, plans, actions, reputation and authority to Christ's authority and purpose alone (1).

Lord, in accordance with Your teaching, I am asking that Your will would be done in my family, my neighborhood, my region and throughout this nation. Help me to bow before you and play my part. I am asking that you would help those in positions of worldly authority (names) to come to You as King, and to bow down before you. In doing so Lord, may Godly leadership rise up in our country and be used by You to reform our culture so that Your Name is lifted high among the people of this nation. I pray that you would help Your church to return to a simple love and devotion for You alone, and in doing so, lay aside all those things that sow division among Your children.

## 3. PROVISION – Give us this day, our daily bread.

### Example:

Thank You Lord for being such an incredible provider for us! I thank You for the daily provision that You have already set in place for me, my family, my church and the region today in way of food, clothing, housing, finances and other necessities and desires. Lord, help us to know most of all that Your presence in our lives, Your Holy Spirit in us – is our daily bread. For You have clearly told us that we "do not live by Bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God". Lord, help me to feast on the provision of Your word today. Help me to bring before you now every aspect and need for this day alone, not giving way to thinking too much about the past or the future (list). You are the Great "I AM", so help me live in this moment with You, not giving way to worrying about the future, or regretting about the past. Father, in such a materialistic culture, help more and more to come to know You as their daily bread, so that we together will not be "engrossed" in the things of this world, but rather that we would live together displaying clear devotion and adoration for You.

# **4. CONFESSION** – and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who have sinned against us.

#### Example:

Lord, I come before you now in humility and acknowledge my many sins. If You were to count them against me, I could never stand anywhere close to Your presence. But because of Your grace and forgiveness, I can come to You freely in confession. I agree with Your word, that You have already forgiven me of all of my sins; past, present and future. I am not confessing to be forgiven, I am confessing because I already am forgiven. I know that You already know everything about me; my attitudes, my actions and even my "secret" sins. Your desire is for me to know the depth of Your love. My sin stifles my ability to see Your heart toward me. You hate sin, because sin hurts people, and You love people. May Your love and grace guide me now in examining my ways, and testing them. Lord, anywhere I am out of step — help me to return to You.

Help me to see clearly what needs to change about my thoughts, my habits and my actions – especially with regard to my relationship with You and others. LIST (consider looking at the 10 commandments, 1 Cor 13, Galatians 5 or the 7 sins listed in Proverbs 6)

Lord, because of Your complete and full forgiveness of my sin – I now choose to forgive those who have hurt me, in the same way You have forgiven me. While, in some cases it may not be possible to reconcile with others, I ask that You give me Your heart of love, compassion, kindness and goodwill toward those who have hurt me most. Lord, if there is anyone that I need to go to in order to ask for forgiveness, or to seek reconciliation with – please make them clear to me now. LIST

Lord, I also confess the sins of Your church and the sins of this nation. They are too numerous to count, but I ask now that Your Holy Spirit guide me in bringing to mind those things that I should lift before You today. I realize that I am crying out with all Your people around this nation today. I thank You for hearing our cries together. LIST

### **5. PROTECTION** – and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

#### **Example** (praying the armor of God – Ephesians 6:10-20):

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, I lay hold of the sword of the Spirit, the Word of God. I embrace its inerrant message of truth and power. I humbly ask the Holy Spirit to guide me into a deeper understanding of the message of Your Word. Grant to me the discipline and dedication to memorize the Word and to saturate my mind with its truth and power. In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the ministry of the Holy Spirit, grant me the wisdom to always apply the Word against the enemy. May I use Your Word to defeat Satan and to advance the cause of Christ into the very realm that Satan claims.

I take the protection of Your shield of faith. I count upon Your holy presence to surround me like a capsule, offering total protection from all of Satan's flaming arrows. Grant me the grace to accept Your refining purpose in allowing any of Satan's arrows to pass through the shield, and even to praise You for it. Help me to concentrate upon Your presence and not the enemy's arrows. In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, I claim the protection of the holy angels to guard and shield me from the assaults of Satan's kingdom. May these ministering angels be present to interfere with the strategy of Satan to harm me and my family, and Your church. I appropriate the victory of the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ and hold it against the advances of the evil one. With gratitude and praise, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, I rejoice in Your victory.

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ I claim the protection of the belt of truth, having buckled it securely around my waist. I pray the protection of the belt of truth over my personal life, my home and family, and the ministry God has appointed for my life. I use the belt of truth directly against Satan and his kingdom of darkness. I aggressively embrace Him who is the truth, the Lord Jesus Christ, as my strength and protection from all of Satan's deceptions. I desire that the truth of God's Word shall constantly gain a deeper place in my life.

I pray that the truth of the Word of God may be my heart's delight to study and memorize. Forgive me for my sins of not speaking the truth. Show me any way in which I am being deceived. By the Holy Spirit of truth, open the Scriptures to my understanding and guide me into the practical understanding of Your words of truth. I ask the Holy Spirit to warn me before I deceive anyone, and to ever protect me from believing Satan's lies.

Thank You, Lord, for making my local church a pillar and foundation for Your truth in my life. I pray now for the protection of my pastors and those who are entrusted with shepherding Your people, both locally and nationally. I lift them to You now by name (LIST). I see, Lord Jesus Christ, that my ability to be invincibly strong and able to do Your will despite Satan's subtle ways, requires the stabilizing power of the belt of truth. Thank You for providing this part of the armor. I take it gratefully and desire to have an ever-deepening understanding of its protection through Your power.

### **6. PRAISE** – For Yours is the Kingdom, the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen!

### Examples:

Praise God that He is love (I John 4:7-8), and that because of Jesus' sacrifice, we know what love looks like (I John 3:16). Praise God that He is the same yesterday and today and forever (Hebrews 13:8), and that He is your solid Rock, your Fortress, your Rescuer, your Shield, your salvation's strength, and your place of safety (Psalm 18:2). Praise the Lord for being the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; His understanding is unsearchable (Isaiah 40:28). His ways are higher than your ways, and His thoughts higher than your thoughts (Isaiah 55:9). Praise the God whose way is perfect. Praise Him that His Word proves true and that He is a shield for all those who take refuge in Him (Psalm 18:30. Praise God for His holiness. "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory!" (Isaiah 6:3). Praise the Lord, who is like no other, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression. Praise Him for His mercy – He does not retain his anger forever, because He delights in steadfast love. Praise Him for His compassion and for His forgiveness. "He will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea" (Micah 7:18-19). Praise the Lord, "a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty." (Exodus 34:6-7) Praise God, whose might is like no other, and whose faithfulness surrounds Him. Praise Him that righteousness and justice are the foundation of His throne, and that steadfast love and faithfulness go before Him (Psalm 89:8,14). Praise God that with Him, nothing is impossible (Mark 10:27). "Ah, Lord GOD! Behold, You have made the heavens and the earth by Your great power and by Your outstretched arm! Nothing is too difficult for You" (Jeremiah 32:17).

#### Consider praying Psalm 148

Father, I thank You today for the gift of praise. Thank you for revealing Yourself to me through Your Word, by Your Spirit, in Your people, and by Your creation, that I might stand in awe of You. You alone are worthy of praise and glory and honor, for You have created all things, that in all things You might be preeminent. For every request that I offer, every supplication that I raise, and every intercession I make, let me never neglect to render the praise You are due. In the name of my Savior, Jesus Christ, I pray. Amen.