

The Family that Prays... // 2nd and 3rd Petition // 08.28.16

- Families live together. Roof. Table. TV. Cars. Bedrooms. Basements.
- Families vacation together. Florida. Arizona. Michigan. D.C. Texas.
- Families fight together. Spouses. Siblings. Parents vs. kids. Vice versa.
- Families trouble together. Tests. Trials. Tribulations. Turmoil. Tears.
- Families “religious” together. Church. Bible. L.S. But, they rarely pray!

- Life lesson series. **The Family that Prays Together...** Stays together!
- Prayer, speaking to God in words and thoughts, is central to family!
- Pray without ceasing. Pray and never lose heart. Key to the family!
- Many ways to pray. P.R.A.Y. A.C.T.S. S.O.A.P. All are great. Others?
- This is why Jesus taught/gave His disciples (us) the Lord’s Prayer!

- Introduction. Petitions 1-3 (THEE). Petitions 4-7 (WE). Conclusion.
- **Thy kingdom come.** What does this mean? **Prayer card.** To us soon!
- Kingdom of grace, earth vs. glory, heaven/eternity. We need both!
- **Thy will be done, on earth...** What does this mean? **Prayer card.**
- God’s will? Destroy the devil, world, sin! Strengthen our faith, life!

- Head of the family. Teach them in a simple way. To their household.
- **God is good.** **Matthew 6:33.** Seek first His kingdom, righteousness!
- **God is gracious.** **Luke 12:32.** His pleasure? To give us the kingdom!
- **Philippians 2:13.** God works in us. To will, work. His good pleasure.
- **To God alone be the glory.** *Soli Deo gloria.* THY. Today>>>Last Day!

- Let’s pray. Lord, **Romans 12:12b (ESV)** says, **“Be constant in prayer.”** Lord, this means to prevail and persist in prayer, despite difficulties. Lord, in the Lord’s Prayer, Jesus teaches us to praise God, to pray for His work in the world, to pray for our daily needs, and to pray for help in our daily struggles. Lord, in our families, help us to pray!