

DAILY TRUST—DAILY PROVISION

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Connecting With God Thru Prayer, Part 5

MAIN IDEA: Jesus leads us into a kind of *simplicity* and *depth* in the Lord's Prayer that we cannot find anywhere else. This week He mentors us into praying *with His agenda* in our personal and spiritual needs.

11 Give us today our daily bread. Matthew 6:11

Daily, *epiousios*, bread sufficient for the day

- Bread as the Lord's Supper... (1 Cor. 11:23-26; Lk. 22:15-20)
- Bread as the Word of God. (Mat 4:4)
- Bread as Jesus himself... the bread of life (John 6:33-35).
- Bread as in the heavenly kingdom feast, in the age to come. (Mat. 26:29; Lk. 22:16)
- Practical daily food and provision.

OBSERVATIONS:

- ✓ **God cares about you & your physical needs.**
"Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground outside your Father's care. And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. So don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows." **Matthew 10:29-31**
- ✓ **God has chosen to provide in response to our asking... to build dependent partnership with Him.**
"You do not have because you do not ask God." **James 4:2**
- ✓ **Live in today, trust God in the now.** (Ex. 16:13-21)
"It is the bread the LORD has given you to eat." **Exodus 16:15**

- ✓ **The provision is for me AND for us!**

"You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion..." **2 Corinthians 9:11**
(Acts 2:44-45; 4:32-37)

1. **Acknowledge that God is the SOURCE of your provision.**

"You open your hand & satisfy the desires of every living thing." **Psalms 145:16**

"my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus." **Philippians 4:19** ESV

"Father, you are the source of my provision. Every good thing in my life has come as a gift from you. I acknowledge that you are generous, that you are trustworthy, and you are faithful to me. Thank you for taking care of me and my needs. Thank you for my job. Thanks you for my family. Thank you for all the ways you provide. Thank you for what you have done in the past and thank you in advance for what you will do. I know who's taking care of me."

2. **Through prayer, REFRESH YOUR TRUST in Him to provide what you need for the day.**

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." **Philippians 4:6-7**

"Lord, I reaffirm my complete trust and dependence on you today. I present all my needs to you. Today I need a _____. I trust you to provide for me. My son needs _____. I bring this need to you and trust you to provide..." Make your requests. But trust Him.

How do you make sure your needs are met? Matthew 6:25-33

You matter to God. Are valuable.

Worry is unproductive. Trust and pray. (Phil 4:6-7)

Put Him, His kingdom and will *first*. Chain-reaction.