

## The Lord's Prayer 'Adoration'

W/C 17<sup>th</sup> May 2020

The disciples went to Jesus with a request, "Lord, teach us how to pray". His response was to teach them a prayer that has encouraged and given much comfort to believers for over 2000 years. But, how much of the prayer do we really understand and how often have we prayed it without stopping to thinking deeply of the words we are praying?

This week we are looking at the first line of the prayer, 'Our Father in heaven, hallowed be thy name.'

Over next few we will be learning about prayer, not just so that we might know more, but that we might pray more.



### Ice Breaker: Ask each the group:

When did you first come across the Lord's prayer?



**UP:** Read Psalm 121. What aspect of the psalm particularly encourages you? Meditate on the Psalm and give thanks to God.



**UP:** Looking at God's word together:  
**Read: Hebrews 4:14-16, Romans 8:15-16**

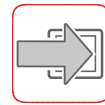
### Watch Session 2 of the Prayer Course:

- Why Pray?

### Discussion Questions

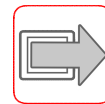
1. What does the passage in Hebrews tell us of the confidence by which we can approach God?
2. What do you know of the Aramaic word 'Abba'?
3. What do you appreciate about the intimacy by which we can approach God? What struggles do you face, if any, in approaching God in this way?
4. What does it mean to you to hallow God? What difficulties, if any, do you have with this aspect of God?

5. Why is it important that we have a right appreciation of the nature and character of God, as revealed by the first line of the Lord's Prayer? What ought to be our right response?



**IN:** Spend some time in prayer.

- Pray for anybody you might know that has contracted Covid-19.
- Continue to pray for Joyce White in the loss of her husband.
- Pray for those you know who are on the front-line.
- Pray for the leadership team as they seek wisdom in leading the church during this crisis.
- Pray for any individuals you know that may be struggling at the present time.



**OUT:** Why do you think people outside of the church might not fully appreciate the nature and character of God?