

Our Father

Scripture Reading: Matthew 6:9-13

Different people have different opinions about prayer. Our Lord Jesus Christ taught about prayer to his disciples. He taught them the pattern in which they ought to pray. In the model prayer taught, today we will focus on the phrase, "Our father which art in heaven". We have received the right to be call God our Abba father. What a wonder! We become the children of God when we accept the Lord Jesus Christ into our life. The father-son relationship strengthens us. As a father, He protects us, provides us, comforts, and guides and intercedes on our behalf. He is with us and will protect us and provide for us more than what an earthly father can ever do. "Which art" means that God is not a dead God but is still alive. A dead father cannot help his son in any manner. Our heavenly father is always never changing. He said, "I am who I am". "In Heaven" means that he abides in a place full of glory and authority. It is such a great blessing to call such a glorious living God our Abba father. Therefore, when we pray:

1. We have to pray with humbleness of heart.
2. We have to ask without doubting (James 1:6)
3. Pray with faith.

We ask our parents for all our worldly needs. They would provide us if it is in their power to do so, else would deny our request. But our heavenly father will grant all our request in His time.

Have you accepted Him as your father? Have you experienced a relationship with Him? If no, this is the day to receive the blessing of being called His son.

Questions:

1. What is the blessing we receive when we accept the Lord Jesus Christ?
2. What does "Which art" refer to?
3. How should we pray?