

Theology Simply Explained — CC109 “Prayer that Fully Follows the Lord”

Pastor walks his children through Children’s Catechism question 109—especially explaining how the Lord’s Prayer gives us all the categories that need to be included in our prayer.

Q109. How many petitions are there in the Lord's Prayer? **Six.**

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Sophia your catechism question this week. Sophia your catechism question this week is how many petitions are there in the Lord's Prayer.

And the answer is. And for our lesson, I just want to point out that Somehow strangely. children's catechism does not also include question and answer on the conclusion of the Lord's Prayer so that the Lord's Prayer has the seven parts, not just the six petitions. And thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.

amen. Very important, part of adoration and praise. Which should always be a part of our praying. And then also the fact that there are these six petitions when the Lord Jesus teaches us how to pray. Strongly implies to us that our prayers should have. all of those six categories.

That we shouldn't just be stuck on, asking God for Earthly needs in the category. Give us this to our daily bread. But we should pray. We should pray for the glorifying of God. We should pray for the advance of the We should pray for obedience and morality in the world.

We should pray. Always. for forgiveness, we should pray always. To be helped against and delivered from sin. And evil. And so, When we recognize that, the Lord's Prayer has all of these different petitions in it. It teaches us. It reminds us. It helps us to pray. There are many people and maybe you have had this experience already, who struggle, a great deal with how do they pray?

They know that they should they try to compose themselves Maybe by reading the word and Settling mind and heart before God, they start to come before him and then they don't know what to say. Or what to pray about. Well, not only can you use the Lord's Prayer, especially if you have come to understand it and you're praying each part with understanding and sincerity offering your mind and heart to him by the very words that he has given us.

But you can may also use the Lord's Prayer as a guide and a template. and take each of the six categories, you know, how at the prayer meeting we have the The five different categories that groups of men lead. And then at the end, we have the intercession time.

In our families and by ourselves. well that's another way of dividing prayer into categories. The Lord's Prayer gives us OA of dividing prayer into categories. You can take e to the petitions And pray in the way and for the type of thing that that petition of the Lord's Prayer covers.

And by the time you do. So you will find That you will have. prayed fairly fully and expressed herself and your desires to God. fairly richly. And done. So, even according to his own instruction, So it is helpful for us. remember. The answer to this question.

How many petitions are in the Lord's Prayer? And the answer is. Six.