

Dear Parents/Guardians;

Last month we discussed communicating with God. When Jesus's friends asked him to teach them to pray, He taught them to pray starting "Our Father." This beginning highlights the intimate relationship God wants to have with us, and the shared relationship we have with each other. It is not "My Father" but "Our."

Here is the Lord's Prayer in the traditional language:

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy Name,  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen

Here it is with more contemporary language:

Our Father in heaven,  
Holy is your name,  
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen

Hallowed means holy. Merriam-Webster defines holy as "exalted or worthy of complete devotion as one perfect in goodness and righteousness." God's holiness is why we worship God.

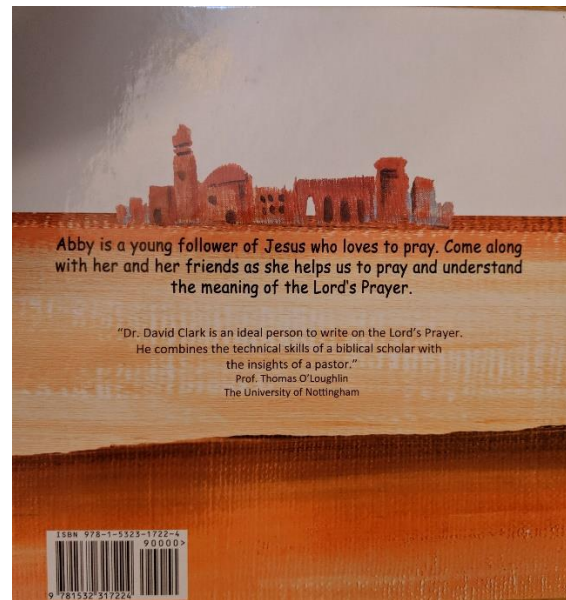
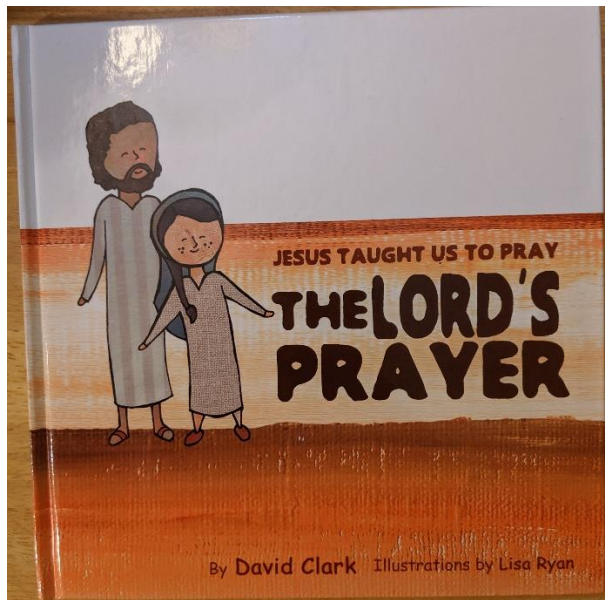
For your children ages 3-6, the packet includes a book about the Lord's Prayer, from the perspective of a girl named Abby as she learns it from Jesus. This is a book that you and your child can read and enjoy together.

There is also a fun poster that can be colored and a Lord's Prayer bookmark that can be glued together. These are fun activities that help with young children learning fine motor control.

Your sister in Christ,

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Include in the packet were a poster for coloring and a bookmark craft and the following book:



The book can be purchased at Amazon or [ChristianBook.com](http://ChristianBook.com)