**SERMON NOTES**

**Wonderful Words of Life: The Sermon on the Mount**

**“Pray Then Like This: Part 1”**

**Matthew 6: 9 – 10**

**BIG IDEA In the Lord’s prayer, Jesus gives us the content, structure, attitude and aim of the prayers that believers should pray.**

**True righteousness is always a matter of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**The aim of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is to increasingly work in us to remove those things from our heart and our actions that are counter to Him and His ways and instead birth in us those things that are in line and obedient to Him and His word.**

**The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that Jesus requires can only come through Him – by faith in Him and His work and repentance of sin.**

**The very first word that Jesus utters after He says “this is how you should pray” tells us much and a great deal about how we are to view and understand what it means to be a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**Right at the outset on His instruction on how to pray, Jesus reminds of us of the corporate, together, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ nature of our faith when He begins: “*OUR FATHER in heaven”.***

**Christianity, right down to our prayers to God is decidedly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**In the very first word of the prayer, Jesus shows and calls us to see that all of the Christian life - right down to the very words we would pray to God – is never to be exclusively on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**Jesus could have told us to use any of the names of God we find in scripture when we pray but instead –He invites us to use the most intimate name He knew for God, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**We can only call God father through the work of Jesus Christ crucified and resurrected for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**Apart from the Spirit’s work in our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, we are hostile to God, unable and unwilling to submit to Him (Romans 8:7; Ephesians 2: 1-3).**

**Without sincere \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of sin and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus Christ’s life, death, and resurrection in our place, God is not our father.**

**Not only is God intimately our father through Jesus but He is also the God of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_: the sovereign creator, ruler, and sustainer of all things.**

**It is this wonderful truth: God as father in heaven - that Jesus wants to call our minds to behold \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_when begin to pray.**

**In the Bible God is acknowledged as holy and He calls His people to be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(Isiah 6:3; 1 Peter 1: 15-16).**

**To pray “hallowed be your name” is to request that God would work in such a way that would cause His holiness to be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as it truly is in the hearts of all people.**

**The one who prays “hallowed by your name” is praying that God would hallow His name through their own \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and life as believer.**

**We honor God’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by striving in the power of the gospel to live in line with His word as we daily put off the old self and put on the new self (Ephesians 4: 22-24).**

**Jesus Christ is King of Kings and Lord and Lords and the sincere prayer of the Christian is that God’s kingdom would come \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ over this tried and tired world until it is finally in its fullness.**

***Blanks:***  *heart; gospel; righteousness; Christian; family; unindividual; self; father; sinners; heart; repentance & faith; heaven; first; holy; known; conduct; holiness; reign;*

Congregational Scripture Reading – Matthew 12: 46-50

While he was still speaking to the people, behold, his mother and his brothers stood outside, asking to speak to him.But he replied to the man who told him, “Who is my mother, and who are my brothers?” And stretching out his hand toward his disciples, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother.”