Pray like Jesus: God is Into the Details

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Matt 6:9-13

⁹ "This, then, is how you should pray: "'Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, ¹⁰ your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. ¹¹ Give us today our daily bread. ¹² Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. ¹³ And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.'

1. GOD IS <u>ENGAGED</u> IN YOUR PERSONAL <u>NEEDS</u> Matt 11:28-30

[Jesus said] 28 "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

2. GOD'S <u>ULTIMATE</u> PROVISION IS <u>JESUS</u> <u>CHRIST</u> John 6:27: 35

[Jesus said] 27 Do not work for <u>food that spoils</u>, but for food that <u>endures to eternal life</u>, which the Son of Man will give you. 35 Then Jesus declared, "<u>I am the bread of life</u>..."

3. OUR NEED NEVER EXCEEDS GOD'S PROVISION

<u>John 6:35</u> "... He who comes to me will <u>never go hungry</u>, and he who believes in me will <u>never be thirsty</u>. "

4. GOD MEETS OUR NEED THROUGH BROKENNESS, WEAKNESS & SURRENDER

2 Corinthians 12:9-10

9 [The Lord] said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me.

10 That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For <u>when I am weak, then I am strong</u>.