



Hardest Prayer You'll Ever Pray...

WEEK 4 • "Kingdom Come, easy enough, right?" • Matthew 6:5-15, ESV

⁵"And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ⁶But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. ⁷"And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. ⁸Do not be like them, for

your Father knows what you need before you ask him. ⁹Pray then like this: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. ¹⁰Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. ¹¹Give us this day our daily bread, ¹²and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. ¹³And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. ¹⁴For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, ¹⁵but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

Mooring-(n.) a place or an object to which something can be moored. (v.) the act of securing a boat with line or anchors. Check your mooring! We're praying as Jesus taught us to pray— to our Father in Heaven, the one whose name is set apart & holy?

THY KINGDOM COME. SEEMS EASY ENOUGH, RIGHT?

2 Senses of the word 'Kingdom':

1. Universal rule over all things- "*In this kingdom God has heaven for this throne, the earth for his footstool, heavenly angels for his attendants, the clouds for his chariot, the winds for his horses, wicked men for his enemies, lightnings and thunders for his instruments of war, hell for a prison, and devils for the black executioners of his vengeance.*" - H. Witsus, The Lord's Prayer, p.211
2. God's Moral Kingdom- This refers to his special _____ over all mankind; his 'in-charge-ness.' In a sense this is the degree to which we are seeing his 'Universal rule' over all things coming to fruition on earth.

STATING THE OBVIOUS: IF WE ARE PETITIONING GOD FOR HIS KINGDOM TO COME- IT ISN'T HERE. BRILLIANT, HUH?

To petition God to usher in *His* Kingdom is a request of rightful ownership-
all that you created,
all that you intended,
all that you decreed,
thy kingdom,
thy monarchy,
thy people,
under thy hand— Thy Kingdom come!

NAZI SYMPATHIZERS & Le' RESISTANCE

Most of us have bought a lie. We have a powder puff, 'surely God wants me to be happy', 'why do bad things happen to good people', 'I'm okay'; version of Christianity:

**THIS IS NOT A PRAYER FOR POWDER PUFF CHRISTIANS,
THIS IS A PRAYER FOR Le' RESISTANCE!**

Want *His* Kingdom..... Here's _____ Cross

Want *His* Kingdom Here's _____ Shame

Want *His* Kingdom Here's _____ anguish, rejection, suffering, pain & sorrow

When you pray for His kingdom to come we must remember that it may cost us everything to see that happen. It did for Jesus and No servant is greater than his master.

IF THE COMING OF THE KINGDOM MEANS SUFFERING, LOSS OF FAMILIES, AND PAIN FOR THE GOOD GUYS, THEN WHAT ABOUT THE SYMPATHIZERS.

-Are you a _____? Do you know any _____?

-Do you realize that when the kingdom finally comes, so does the king?

-Do you realize that the king said when he comes again it will be as Lord and Judge over all the earth, to tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God?

-Have you and I been praying for deliverance *from* this lost world without praying *for* deliverance of the lost from this world?

**THE MOST SWEET AND MOST BITTER TRUTH IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD
IS THAT JESUS IS COMING BACK**

Every Sunday we get on the radio from a foxhole outside of Paris and beg the allies to come back. Let your deepest prayer be that the coming of the kingdom would be 2-Fold; into the darkness of the _____, and into the darkness of _____.

I stated the obvious to start with: if we are asking for it's coming, it isn't here. IF IT NEEDS TO COME INTO HEARTS, IT ISN'T THERE EITHER!!! We've got mothers, brothers, fathers, sisters, and friends who have yet to come into the kingdom and every Sunday we're praying for the kingdom to ultimately come. What's so hard about praying for the kingdom to come?

The truth that it hasn't, and that the king, himself is coming back!

DID YOU SEE THE ENDING OF PLATOON?