



Hardest Prayer You'll Ever Pray...

WEEK 10 • "AMEN." • 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.

AMEN.

When you sign your name to a lease what does it mean?

When you sign your name to a loan, what does it mean?

When you apply for a Credit card and sign the cardholders agreement, what does that mean?

IT MEANS: I _____ TO THOSE TERMS!

Amen is a transliteration of a Greek word spelled A-M-E-N.

It is translated in different ways in the new treatment.

KJV- "Verily, Verily I say unto you" _____

NIV- "Truly, Truly I say onto you " _____

It means: This is _____ , or I _____

WHEN JESUS SAYS SOMETHING IMPORTANT HE WOULD SAY, "AMEN, AMEN"- THE SON OF GOD IS SPEAKING, WHAT HE IS SAYING IS INFALLIBLE TRUTH!

But consider the word adapted for our use at the end of the Lord's prayer...

After calling on our _____!

After asking what we've _____!

After praying what we've _____!

WE THEN PUT A 'VERBAL SIGNATURE' ON THE END OF THAT PRAYER AND SAY, "AMEN. I AGREE."

TRUCK SHOPPING WITH THE LARROUX'S

I knew the details.
I knew what it meant.

I'd verbally assented each step of the way, but in the end the commitment was too great. I just _____ the paperwork! I bailed out when it came time to _____!

- HAVE WE BEEN VERBALLY SIGNING OUR NAMES TO THE END OF THE LORD'S PRAYER BECAUSE WE DIDN'T KNOW WHAT WE WERE AGREEING TO?
- HOW ABOUT NOW THAT YOU KNOW WHAT IT MEANS?
- ARE YOU READY TO SIGN ON THE DOTTED LINE WITH AMEN?

Think about what you are agreeing to-

To call the God of the universe your _____

To keep His name _____ and _____

To live for and desire His _____

To tell others about the return of the _____

To let Him be the _____, the co- _____ and air traffic _____

To submit to His _____

To content yourself with _____

To ask for only enough _____ to keep you dependent on Him _____

To measure out _____ the way He measured it out to you!

To have Him restrain your natural tendencies toward _____

To " _____ " you up from the world, the flesh & the _____

And to that you say, " _____ "

Therefore sign here: _____

"HOW CUTE" A SIGNATURE BOX, BUT YOU DON'T HAVE TO SIGN YOUR NAME, ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS SAY "AMEN" AT THE END AND IT IS AS GOOD AS SIGNED.

This is the hardest prayer you will ever pray!

STUDENT LOANS

Every year— Still agree? Still agree? Still agree? Still agree?

COME OUT OF DEFERMENT- YOU KNOW THE PRAYER; YOU KNOW WHAT YOU ARE PRAYING; YOU ARE INVITED TO 'SIGN' YOUR NAME.

It was a lot easier to consider the details of the truck purchase than to actually go through with the deal. Consider the details, Consider the prayer that Jesus taught us to pray. Consider the weightiness of what we are asking and sign your name. May God give us the grace to pray as He taught us to pray.