

# Leadership Study Day

## Father's Day Prayer

### The Our Father

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**1, Our Father who art in heaven,**  
bless the fathers who are on earth;  
Those who work hard every day  
to light a path and show the way;  
Those who forget and don't perceive  
the devastation when they leave.

**2. Hallowed be Thy Name,Thy Kingdom come;  
Thy Will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

Help the earthly fathers know  
and praise Your name in daily flow,  
making no difference between  
the holy realm and worldly scene.

**3. Give us this day our daily bread.**

And for the dads without a job,  
Strengthen their faith in Provider God.  
Feed them with the bread of love,  
The wine of justice,  
The meat of determination,  
The fruit of the spirit;  
That they will remember how Jesus gave Himself for us.  
Demonstrating that there are many ways for a MAN TO GIVE.

**4. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

Teach our men the ways of peace  
Desiring that all violence shall cease  
Whether husband/wife, parents/children  
Black on black, nation to nation  
Neither tongue, hand, gun, knife  
No shock and awe, no fiery towers  
Help humanity learn HOW TO FORGIVE.

**5. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.**

Guide all daddies to be wise.  
Give them strength of soul to seek the prize

Of a world without racism or greed,  
A world where no child is left in need,  
A world where cheaters cannot win,  
Salvation reigns, there is no sin.

**All: For Thine is the Kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever, Amen.**

**Response: Loving God Hear Our Prayer**

6. Let us pray for those fathers who have striven to balance the demands of work, marriage, and children with an honest awareness of both joy and sacrifice. Let us praise those fathers who, lacking a good model for a father, have worked to become a good father.

**All: Loving God hear our prayer**

7. Let us pray for those fathers who by their own account were not always there for their children, but who continue to offer those children, now grown, their love and support. Let us pray for those fathers who have been wounded by the neglect and hostility of their children.

**All: Loving God hear our prayer**

8. Let us pray for those fathers who, despite divorce, have remained in their children's lives. Let us pray for fathers whose children are adopted, and whose love and support has offered healing.

**All: Loving God hear our prayer**

10. Let us pray for those fathers who, as stepfathers, freely chose the obligation of fatherhood and earned their stepchildren's love and respect. Let us pray for those fathers who have lost a child to death, and continue to hold the child in their heart.

**All: Loving God hear our prayer**

11. Let us pray for those men who have no children, but cherish the next generation as if they were their own.

**All: Loving God hear our prayer**

12. Let us pray for those men who have "fathered" us in their role as mentors and guides.

**All: Loving God hear our prayer**

13. Let us pray for those men who are about to become fathers; may they openly delight in their children.

**All: Loving God hear our prayer**

14. And let us pray for those fathers who have died, but who live on in our memory and whose love continues to nurture us.

**All: Loving God hear our prayer**

**Community Prayers**

**Closing Prayer:**

Dear God, we give thanks for fathers.

We recognize the dedication and patience

it takes to be a source

of compassion and

understanding when helping

to shape a young life.

Bless all fathers,

especially those who are new

in this sacred role. We pray they feel

Your presence with them.

May they know that Your strength

and wisdom are within them,

providing all they need

to guide and support

their children with kindness and Love.

Amen!!!!!!