

# Lord's Prayer

## Fourth Petition

### Give us this day our daily bread

**Read Luke 12: 24-34, Matthew 6:25-34, Philippians 4:6-7**

For a more in depth look at the Catechism, you can read Luther's explanation in the Large Catechism found in the Book of Concord or online at

<http://www.bookofconcord.org/lc-5-ourfather.php>

1. What is daily bread?
2. In the Small Catechism, Martin Luther wrote that "God gives daily bread, even without our prayer..." If that's true, why do you think Jesus tells us to pray for daily bread? To help think about this question, think about what is happening when you pray; and to whom you are speaking.
3. The rest of the quote from the Small Catechism is "...to all people, though sinful." Does that seem fair to you? If not, have you ever thought of God as an unfair God?
4. Have you heard of the "Prosperity Gospel"? That is the idea that God rewards Christians with material things, with prosperity. Is that what Jesus is telling us in the Lord's Prayer? In other words, is Jesus telling us that we must pray first, in order to receive things from God?
5. When you don't have faith that God is providing you all you need from day to day, and that He will continue to provide you these things, how does that impact the way you live?
6. Watch the video again, and listen for the whirlpool image. Discuss what that whirlpool is, and how praying to God to give you your daily bread helps pull you out of the whirlpool.