THE DISCIPLES' PRAYER

Lesson Six

GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD

Burden to Impart:

As we pray for God's desire (His Name, kingdom and will to be done on earth), we should also pray to Him each day for our daily needs, especially our physical food. We should not worry about tomorrow, but should live by faith, trusting in God for each day's supply (Matt. 6:34).

Memory Verse: "Our Father who is in the heavens,...give us this day our daily bread" (Matthew 6:9, 11).

Facts to Teach:

- 1. The first concern in our prayer to the Father is for His interests: His Name, His kingdom, and His will. Man was created for God and our first concern and prayer must be for His desire. Then, we may pray for our primary need as human beings: our daily bread.
- 2. In most countries, some type of bread is one of the most important foods in the people's diet. The Spanish use tortillas, the Jews use matzos, etc. There are many other kinds of "bread" in other countries. In the United States, the farmers used to call bread the "staff of life," meaning that it was the most important thing to them of all the foods they ate.

3. "Bread" firstly speaks of our daily material needs, especially physical food.

4. We are to pray for our daily food or other needs each day. As God's beloved children we do not need to worry or pray about our needs for the next day or the next week. Our Father wants us to come to Him each day.

5. Two examples of how God provided for the daily needs of His people are when God caused manna to rain down from heaven to nourish His people in the desert. They were told to only gather enough manna for one day at a time (Exo. 16:12-21). Also, the Lord provided for His servant Elijah's need of food by sending the ravens to him with food each day (1 Kings 17:4-6).

6. The "bread" in this verse may also indicate spiritual food, just as the Lord Jesus said in John 6:36: "I am the bread of life, he who comes to Me shall by no means hunger." We

need to come to the Lord each day.

7. In Matthew 4:4 Jesus told Satan, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but on every word that proceeds out through the mouth of God." This shows us that the Lord Jesus took the Word of God as His daily bread.

8. As we pray for our "daily bread" each day we should remember that the Lord wants to supply our spiritual need as well as our physical need. We should thank Him each day for His generous supply and loving care for us.

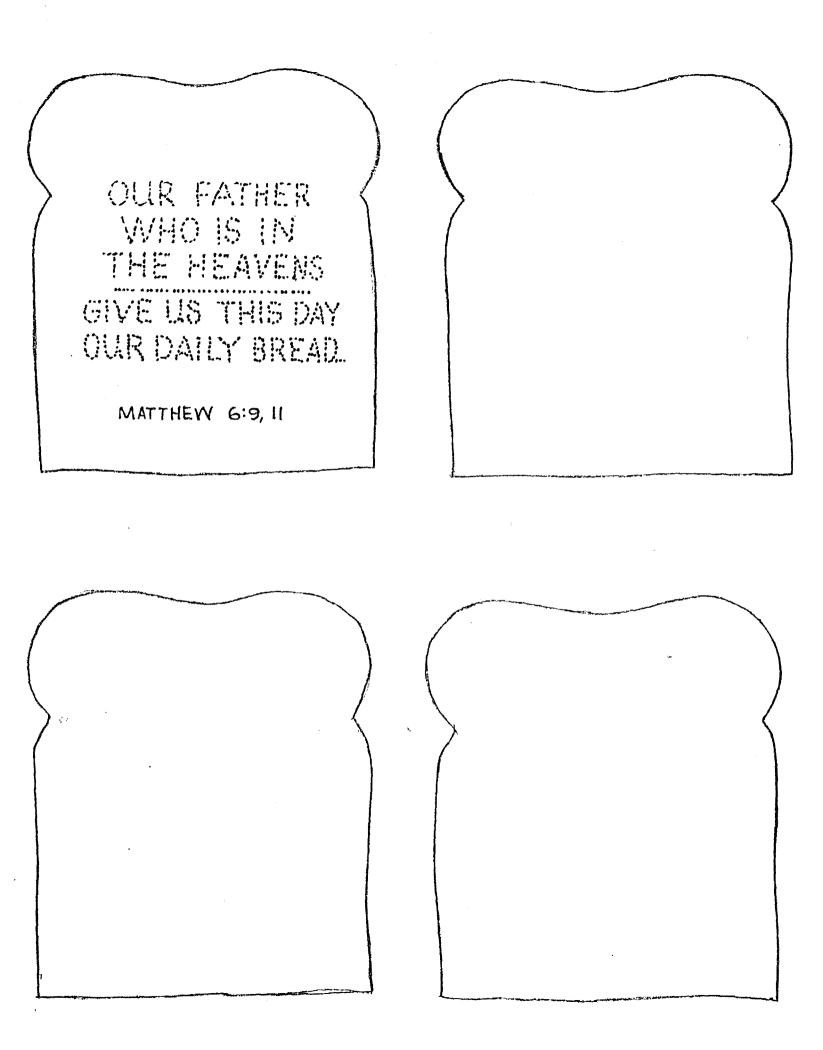
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Matthew 6:11 (KJV)

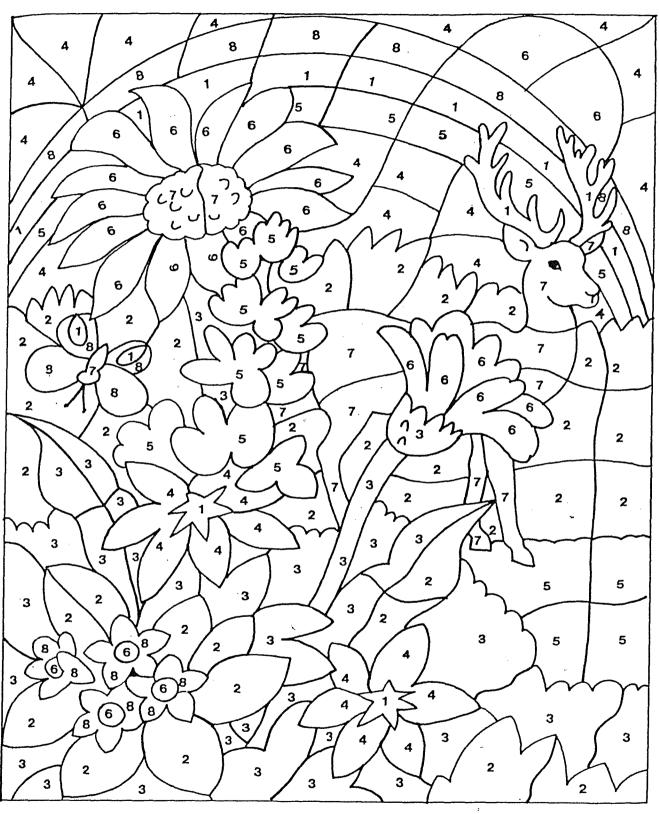


Because God made us, He knows all that we need. God provides food and wafer to help us grow up strong and healthy. He gives us families to take care of us.

What would you like to thank God for?



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