

## MESSAGE NOTES

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"Give us today our daily bread"

### Sermon Series – 2 Peter Growing in Grace

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That's not *my* truth.**

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John 14:5-7

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## SCRIPTURE PASSAGE



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# The Lord's prayer

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts,  
as we also have forgiven our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from the evil one.

For yours is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory forever.

Amen.

**SECOND**

**PETER**

**GROWING IN GRACE**



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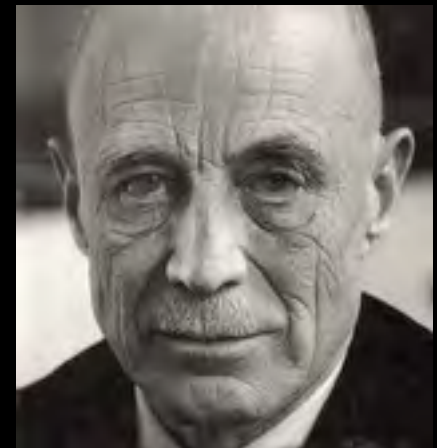
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The modern-day reader of Scripture:  
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“A God without wrath  
brought men without sin  
into a Kingdom without judgment  
through the ministrations of a Christ without a Cross.”

H. Richard Niebuhr,  
The Kingdom of God in America



## 2 Peter 2:9

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## **Romans 3:25**

God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement,  
through the shedding of his blood – to be received by faith.





We believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, begotten from the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made; of the same essence as the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and was made human. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried. The third day he rose again, according to the...

... Scriptures. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead. His kingdom will never end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life. He proceeds from the Father and the Son, and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. He spoke through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and to life in the world to come. Amen.