

Daily Devotion For July 1, 2022

“Give us this day our daily bread.” Luke 11:3

This may date some of you, but do you remember back in the '60s the word “**bread**” was a term for **money**? If someone said, “You got any bread, man?” they were asking for money.

In the Lord’s Prayer, Jesus taught us to pray, “**Give us this day our daily bread**” Bread was a staple of the first-century diet, so bread in this sense, speaks of everything. It speaks of your finances, a roof over your head, and your health. It speaks of everything you need in life. And notice that Jesus said “**daily bread**,” not monthly bread or yearly bread. The Lord will sometimes allow things to happen in our lives that remind us **we need Him every day**.

In the midst of inflation and rising food and gas cost, there are many around us that are facing a financial crisis or are having a health scare. So many around the world are dealing with things we’d never imagined. Perhaps you or someone you know is saying, “God, help!”

Sometimes, God allows trials in life to remind us that He’s the provider. He provides everything we have in life. So, we need to come to Him each day, not just asking for things, but thanking Him for the things He already has provided.

When is the last time you simply prayed a prayer of thanks? Lord, thank you for this. Thank you for providing. Thank you for my spouse. Thank you for my family. Jesus gave us this model for prayer to encourage us to pray, and we need to pray about everything. Cry out to God in your sorrow and pain. Call on the Lord for His provision, His protection, and His guidance. And give thanks to the Lord for your joys and His provision. God wants to provide everything you need in life. And He wants you to bring your needs before Him every day.

Thought For Today: Take time today to thank God for the countless blessings He has given to you. In the midst of these difficult days, if we have “bread” we should truly be a grateful people.

Today’s Prayer Focus: Give Thanks in your time of prayer for God’s provisions. Deo Volente.