

Lord Jesus Christ and then, in a family relationship, we say: "Thy will be done". In so doing, we do not simply mouth the words...we recognize that his will is right, we place our energies in that direction and we focus our action on the pattern of obedience seen in heaven. Our whole basis for further request will be founded on this.

In closing it is notable that this is one of the conditional aspects of prayer often overlooked in our popular treatments. The adoration of the Lord is very properly a matter of "Thy will be done."

C. A Yieldedness to His Care.

Matthew 6:11

Luke 11:3

1. Introductory Note

a. In this verse the Lord mentions what should seem to be apparent. The daily provision must come from God. Yet it is in this very area where many of us are weak for, like the church in the Revelation epistle, we often think we have when we have not. We may well look to our material goods and imagine great things when the Lord knows well that our needs are great. Therefore when we come to him acknowledging the relationship and giving ourselves to his will it is very appropriate that we confess our need of his care and our yieldedness to him in the matters of life.

b. The wording of the two passages is interesting. In Matthew the bread is given "today". In Luke it is given "day by day". Both verses use an imperative construction although different tenses are used in Greek. Both speak directly to the Lord and both use a term (daily bread) which does not otherwise occur in the New Testament and is a little intricate in translation. But the emphasis is the same: if we will have what we need, it will come from our Father.