



In teaching us to pray, Jesus encouraged us to first talk to our Father in heaven about His interests – His Person (“Thy name”), His Purpose (“Thy Kingdom”) and His Pleasure (“Thy Will”). Then we need to chat with Him about ourselves – My Provision (“bread”), My Pardon (“sins”) and My Protection (“evil”).

B.L.U.F. (Bottom Line Up Front): *Talk to Him about your life – about your need for His forgiveness.* There are two parts to this chat:

1. My _____ for Forgiveness v. 4a

Study 1 John 1:

- 1) Fellowship is the _____ 1 John 1:3-4
- 2) Sin is the _____ 1 John 1:5-7
- 3) Confession & Forgiveness is the _____ 1 John 1:8-10

Psalm 32:5; 51:1-4; 139:23-24; 26:2; 19:12-14

But why should God forgive me?

2. My _____ for Forgiveness v. 4b

Jesus, when teaching earlier in His ministry about prayer, added this... Matthew 6:14-15

Now listen to Jesus' story...Matthew 18:21-35

What does it mean to forgive?

- 1) will never bring it up again to the person you forgave,
- 2) will never bring it up to yourself again,
- 3) will never bring it up to others again.

Treat Me Like I Treat Others?