## Look to Jesus #2

Jesus not only lived out the Lord's Prayer. He lives it out in us, today, every day. Jesus has given us His own Spirit. As we trust Him step by step, He lives within us, filling us with Himself, joining His Spirit to our innermost being. Jesus not only helps us to pray as we should. **He Himself is the answer to each petition of the Lord's Prayer.** God's greatest gift to us is not a "something." It is His Son. It is Himself!

- The Spirit of Jesus within us gives us that connection with God that enables us to know Him as **Father**. Because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" (Galatians 4:6, NASB).
- The Spirit of Jesus will **glorify God through us**. As others see our loving deeds and sense the Spirit of Jesus in us, they will be drawn to God and will end up praising Him.
- Jesus Himself brings the **kingdom of God** into our hearts and lives. He is God's presence, God's rulership, God's sovereign protection.
- The Spirit of Jesus nurtures God's righteousness in our lives and leads us into **His perfect will** for us.
- Jesus said, "I am the **bread of life**. . . I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever" (John 6:48-49, 51, NIV). Jesus Himself, God's presence with us and in us, is God's daily provision for our needs.
- Jesus **forgives our sins**. By His loving Spirit He also gives us the strength to forgive those who have wronged us.
- As we follow the leading of the Spirit of Jesus, He will draw us **away from temptation** and deliver us from the evil one.
- Jesus is worthy to receive the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. One day every creature in heaven and earth will sing in one grand unison, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb [Jesus] be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!" (Revelation 5:13, NIV).

Do you want to understand the Lord's Prayer? Look to the life of Jesus. Do you want to absorb the spirit of the Lord's Prayer? Look to the life of Jesus. Do you want to enjoy Jesus' own relationship with God our Father? Pray as He taught us to pray. As you trust Him step by step, day by day, need by need, He will join His Spirit to yours and live His beautiful life in and through you.

Hymn: Breath of His Love