

## Up There, Down Here Part 1 March 19, 2023 Pastor Brian Gobar



#### I. INTRO

- A. 5Stones Prayer
  - First 15
  - Week of Prayer: April 3-6 @ 7pm
  - Good Friday Service @ 4pm

Matthew 6:9-13 (NKJV) <sup>9</sup> In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. <sup>10</sup> Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as *it is* in heaven <sup>11</sup> Give us this day our daily bread. <sup>12</sup> And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. <sup>13</sup> And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

B. Up there Down here

Matthew 6:10 (NKJV) Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

- We're to pray that God's kingdom will come and His will be done on earth like heaven—or in other words—that what's up there will be done or come to pass down here
- C. What do you think of when you think of prayer?

### II. THE PRAYER BEFORE THE PRAYER

A. Teach us to pray

Luke 11:1 (NKJV) Now it came to pass, as He was praying in a certain place, when He ceased, *that* one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples."

- B. What's the point?
  - Many have given up on prayer or don't pray at all
- C. What if we're missing the point?

## III. UP THERE DOWN HERE

A. May your Kingdom come, and your will be done here... Now

Matthew 6:10 (NKJV) Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

- What would it look like if that prayer were to be answered?
- B. Jesus was the "will of God" who had come to earth

Luke 4:43 (NKJV) but He said to them, "I must preach the kingdom of God to the other cities also, because for this purpose I have been sent."



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#### C. Show us the Father

John 14:8 (NLT) Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied."

- Philip wanted to "see" God rather than "hear" God
- We must come to a place that what God said, is greater than what I see

John 14:9-10 (NLT) <sup>9</sup> Jesus replied, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and yet you still don't know who I am? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father! So why are you asking me to show him to you? <sup>10</sup> Don't you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words I speak are not my own, but my Father who lives in me does his work through me.

I got the Words from my Father and He does the work

John 5:19 (NKJV) Then Jesus answered and said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He sees the Father do; for whatever He does, the Son also does in like manner.

• I don't do anything by myself; I do what I see the Father doing

John 8:28 (NKJV) Then Jesus said to them, "When you lift up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am *He,* and *that* I do nothing of Myself; but as My Father taught Me, I speak these things.

• The Father taught me what to say

## IV. JESUS TAUGHT A RELATIONAL ASPECT TO PRAYER

- A. We'd rather have a formula for prayer than a relationship of prayer
- B. The result of being a believer

John 14:12 (NLT) "I tell you the truth, anyone who believes in me will do the same works I have done, and even greater works, because I am going to be with the Father.