

THE LORD'S PRAYER: THE FIRST TWO PETITIONS---Pr. Dan Severson

A petition is a request we bring to God. There are seven petitions in the Lord's Prayer. These requests reflect what God wants us to ask of God, and we can be assured that God wants to grant our requests. However, at the same time, as Luther pointed out, we must ask "with a believing heart."

What do you think Luther mean by "a believing heart?" What would it mean to not have a believing heart?

THE FIRST PETITION: "HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME"

"Hallowed means that we keep God's name _____.

How do we keep God's name _____? When we show God honor and praise in what we _____ and _____.

What can we do to keep God's name holy?

What can we say to keep God's name honly?

We do not keep God's name holy when we _____, or teach things about God that are _____.

What Commandment does this petition remind you of?

Why does God desire that we keep God's name holy?

When we were baptized, we became children of _____.

THE SECOND PETITION: "THY KINGDOM COME"

God's kingdom is the _____ of God.

God's kingdom comes in two ays, one in the present, and one in the future.

God's kingdom comes in the present through the proclamation of the _____, and in the power of the _____.

When God's kingdom comes to us in the present, what are the benefits for us? What do we receive?

What does it mean to say that "God's kingdom comes in the future?"

Who brings God's kingdom to us?

How do we receive God's kingdom?

What commandment does this petition remind you of?