

## Kingdom prayer of invocation, 4

A prayer of invocation is a prayer of high honor and praise to the God of all creation, asking him to join his people as they worship him. Prayers of invocation are some of the most glorious and inspiring of prayers, because they attempt to convey the true character, power and majesty of God in a few words. They also explicitly show our continual need of his love and grace, because we are not holy.

Heavenly Father, gracious and compassionate, abounding in lovingkindness and mercy, if I should suffer need, and go unclothed, and be in poverty -- make my heart prize Your love. Cause me to know it, be constrained by it, though I be denied all else. When Your son, Jesus, came into my soul instead of sin, He became more dear to me than sin had formerly been; His kindly rule replaced sin's tyranny. Teach me to believe that if ever I would have any sin subdued I must invite Christ to abide in the place of it, and he must become to me more than the world had been; that His sweetness, power, life may be there. Though now I have his graces in part, I shall shortly have them perfectly in that state where You will show Yourself fully reconciled and alone sufficient, efficient, loving me completely, with sin abolished. O Lord, hasten that day and also give grace for this day. Send your Spirit to give power to your people as we worship you today. Lamb of God, you who take away the sin of the world wash me and make me your own. In your great name I pray. Amen